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## PRIME MINISTER OF EIRE URGES CONFERENCE OF WAR LEADERS TO SEEK A SETTLEMENT



MR. DE VALERA

### INCREASING GUERILLA ACTIVITIES

PEKING, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Earlier Chinese reports that the guerillas are increasingly active along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway blowing up bridges and portions of the track, thereby rendering the operation of the railway very erratic, were confirmed by foreign travellers arriving here by that railway.

The guerillas, who are part of the Eight Route (ex-Communist) Army are reported to be blowing up goods trains but refraining from dynamiting passenger trains though these are sometimes machine-gunned.

A portion of the track to the south of Tientsin is said to have been particularly heavily attacked by guerillas in recent days and in the last week the entire service was reported to have been suspended for one day on the line.

**PILOT TRAINS**

The Japanese are sending pilot trains ahead of every regular train operating on the line.

Meanwhile the anti-British movement in Tientsin has had a decided effect on the volume of British business which is reported to be declining as a result.

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—In a broadcast to America, Mr. Eamon De Valera, Prime Minister of Eire, urged that a conference of war leaders should be held to seek a settlement.

He added that the way of a conference would have to be tried eventually and common sense suggested that it be tried now before the war had wrought its full havoc.

Mr. De Valera's broadcast, urging a peace conference, is prominently displayed in the New York Times but secures little space in the other papers, says Reuter from New York.

The King's broadcast to the Empire is well displayed in the newspapers.

### Air Minister As Waiter At R.A.F. Dinner

LONDON, Dec. 26 (HWS).—Among important visitors to various Christmas dinners held in the messes of the fighting forces all over Britain yesterday was the Air Minister and he acted as a waiter when visiting aircraftmen and W.A.A.F.'s messes at an R.A.F. Fighter Command station.

In a brief speech, Sir Kingsley Wood said, "It must seem strange to be enjoying an Xmas dinner in the midst of a great war. But there it is, we are fighting for all that Christianity stands for and what Xmas means to us all."

The Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Air visited the men of the London Balloon Barrage at their Xmas dinners on a number of sites.

Capt. Balfour found turkey and plum puddings were everywhere the standard of fare and showed much interest in the elaborate arrangement made for their cooking.

**AUSTRALIAN SQUADRON**

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—The first squadron of the Australian Air Force to reach Britain landed on a South Coast port this morning.

All the fully-trained men, pilots, gunners, observers, ground staff and mechanics, are ready to operate alongside the R.A.F. immediately. They are commanded by Wing-Commander L. V. Lachal.

### PROFESSOR WOUNDED IN SHAI

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Mr. Huang Hsiung-lan, Professor at the China University, Shanghai, was wounded in the stomach and arm at the door of his home in the French Concession this morning by two Chinese gunmen, who escaped in a waiting motor-car.

The crime was witnessed by an old Chinese pedlar, who quickly raised the alarm.

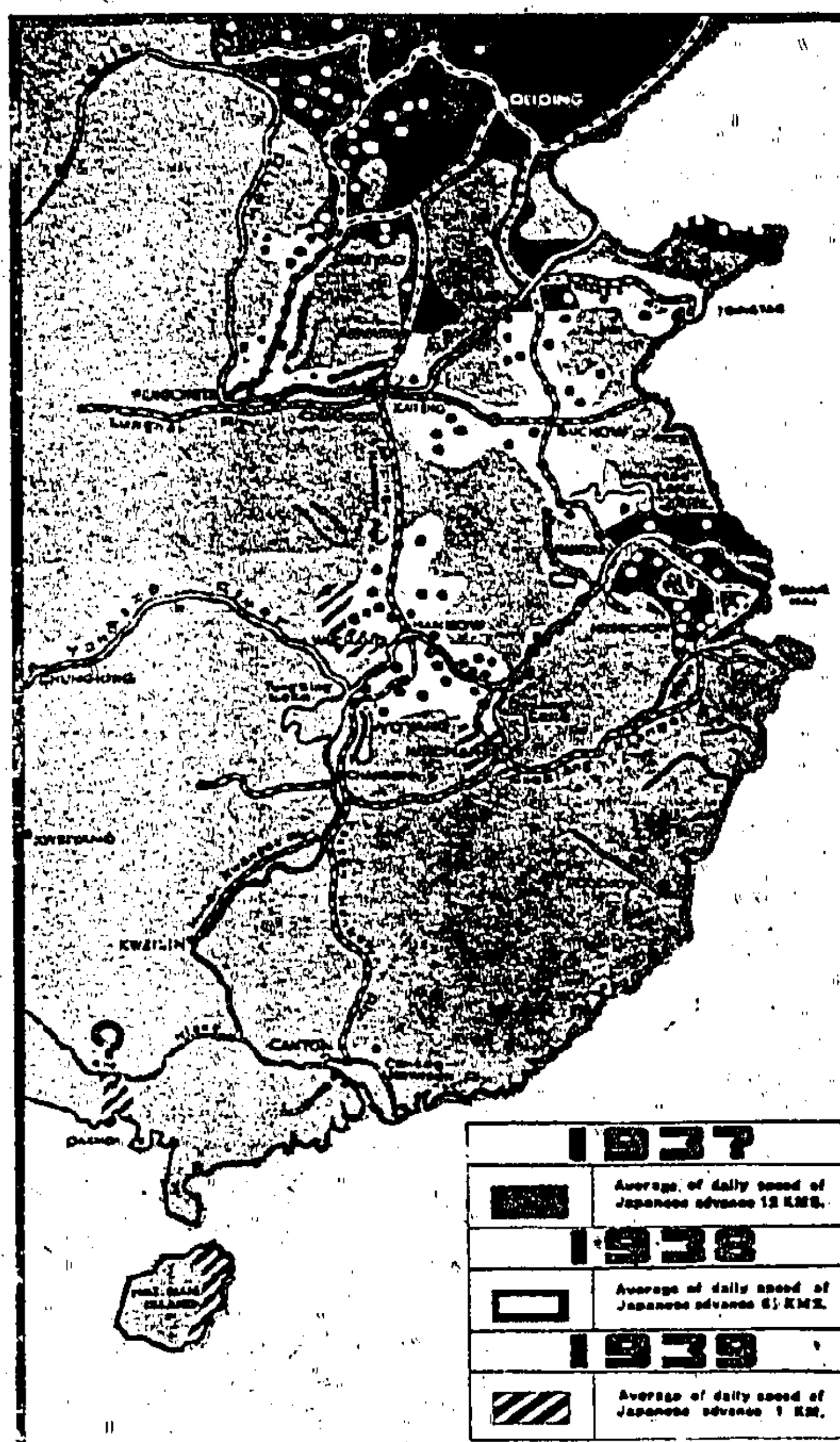
Questioned, he told the French Concession Police that he saw the men loitering in the vicinity.

Mr. Huang Hsiung-lan was sent to hospital in a condition said to be not serious and is expected to recover.

The crime is believed to be due to a political motive though the victim told the police that he had no political affiliations and had not received threatening letters.

### NAZI CLAIM

BERLIN, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—A German War communiqué states that British warplanes attempted to attack German patrol boats in Heligoland Bight and claims that he attacks failed in face of German machine-guns.



### Seat Of New Polish Government

### SIX DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVE

ANGERS, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Diplomatic representatives of six countries have so far arrived at Angers, seat of the new Polish Government, namely Britain, France, United States, Brazil, Czechoslovakia and Egypt.

Representatives of Turkey, China, Uruguay, Portugal and Chile are expected to arrive shortly and certain governments such as Argentina and Sweden have intimated that their representatives will be unable to come to Angers but will remain accredited to the Government.

### BOMB INCIDENT IN HOTEL

A bomb incident which created a panic, but caused little damage, occurred on the first floor of the Central Hotel, Macao, at 9 o'clock on Saturday night.

Mr. Fu Wai-sang, a Hongkong resident, who owns the many gambling franchises in the Portuguese Colony and the Central Hotel was staying in the hotel at the time.

Princesses Chi and Pa, the only two women rulers in the Yeghe Jo and Olanchab Leagues, in Suiyuan, are coming to Yulin en route to Chungking to interview the Central authorities.

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### NAZI RAID ON XMAS MORNING

PARIS, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—There has been no Christmas truce on the Western Front. The Germans have been almost as active as usual, sending out patrols and reconnaissance units.

They were particularly active east of the Moselle but their operations were sporadic and did not exceed local raids.

The main effort was at 4 a.m. on Christmas morning when, with the usual accompaniment of artillery and trench mortar fire, they launched a raid of some importance on a wood east of Moselle and sought, for 90 minutes, to approach a French post which was surrounded by a box barrage but the raid failed in face of the French automatic arms and artillery.

### ANGLO-FRENCH LOSSES

Special to the H.K. Daily Press

PARIS, Dec. 26 (Havas).—French losses up to November 30 totalled 1,434 killed and British losses for the same period, 2,519.

Commenting on these figures, a spokesman of the French General Staff declared, "They are the best answer to German propaganda pretending that France alone bears the brunt of the war."

### Four Control Zones

### JAPANESE NAVAL PLANS

TOKYO, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—The Japanese Navy is placing Chinese waters under four control zones, according to a communiqué issued by the Navy Section of the Imperial Headquarters. Admiral Oikawa is assuming supreme command of the China Area.

**COAST BLOCKADE**

The communiqué adds that the entire Chinese coast, extending 2,850 miles, is now blockaded against enemy ships, while the Yangtze River, from the mouth 800 miles up to Yochow, is fully under the control of the Japanese navy.

The number of ports blocked to navigation include Wenchow, Foochow and Swatow. Islands occupied by the Japanese include Hainan and Swatow.

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### ITALIAN AIRLINER WRECKED

### Four Bodies In Debris

ROME, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that an airliner, on the recently inaugurated Rome-Rio de Janeiro service, is missing.

It left Villa Cisneros, West Africa, for Seville, en route to Rome, but failed to arrive.

During the flight the wireless operator reported a storm of such violence that the ordinary direction-finding apparatus could not be used.

It is thought that the pilot tried unsuccessfully to land near Mogador and the machine was destroyed.

**THREE JOURNALISTS**

On board the plane were four persons, including one Italian and two Brazilian journalists.

Services will, however, be maintained, according to schedule.

A Reuter message from Paris said that the Italian airliner was found wrecked in the forest region of Mogador.

Four charred bodies were found in the debris.

### ONE PRISONER OF WAR IN LUXEMBURG

Special to the H.K. Daily Press

LUXEMBURG, Dec. 26 (Havas).—The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg has only one "war prisoner" namely, a British pilot, who, after a dog-fight wanted to land at a French airport but, by mistake, came down at the Esch aerodrome. According to international law the plane was seized and the flier interned.

"Our war prisoner" has become the most popular person in Luxembourg and many subjects are expressing sympathies for the Allies by sending food, cigars, books and even flowers to the interned officer.

According to a German official radio announcement, Hitler spent Christmas visiting the regiment with which he fought during the World War, and inspected aviation units, states a Havas message from Bern.

## CHINESE CONTINUE ADVANCE ON NANNING: 12-MILE STRETCH OF HIGHWAY OCCUPIED

### Fierce Street Fighting In Changchih

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Chinese forces advancing on Nanning have completed occupation of the twelve-mile stretch of highway up to a point thirteen miles north-east of the city, it is claimed in Chinese reports.

Japanese troops, are said to be holding on to parts of the highway beyond this point, about thirty miles from Nanning, south of Kunlunkwan.

Chinese forces are said to be concentrating their efforts on mopping-up this body of Japanese, before launching an attack on Nanning itself.

Another Chinese column, striking west of Nanning, captured Shihpuyu on Friday afternoon.

In Kiangsi, Chinese dispatches report, fighting at present centres in the area immediately north of Nanchang, where the Chinese launched an attack on Wednesday night. It is claimed here that this force reached the outskirts of Nanchang on Saturday night.

**HEAVY FIGHTING**

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Heavy fighting is continuing in Paotou and Kwetsui in Suiyuan.

### BURMESE LEADER'S VIEWS ON CHINA

KUNMING, Dec. 26 (Central).—Mr. U Ba Lwin, leader of the Burmese Goodwill Mission, which arrived here from Chungking on Dec. 24, en route back to Burma, declared in a press interview today that he was greatly impressed with the high Chinese morale in the current hostilities.

**ABLE LEADERSHIP**

He also noted the progress of armed resistance and national reconstruction under the able leadership of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Though suffering untold sacrifices, China is facing a brilliant future. The present armed resistance is the biggest effort for peace and independence in the Far East and its success may well be assured, he declared.

Miss Daw Mya Sein, deputy leader of the Mission, said that she was impressed with the women's movement in China, which has been carried to the rural districts. She was also impressed with the part played by the Chinese women in the resistance, which, she said, may set a good example for the women in Burma.

The Mission was feted by prominent residents here on Christmas Eve.

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## China's Policy For Establishment Of Constitutional Government Is Set Out By Gen. Chiang

### Political Training For All Civilians

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—The Chinese Government's policy regarding the proposed early establishment of Constitutional Government is set forth in a statement by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, published in the Chinese press here.

The Generalissimo declares that the constitutional period of political training may well proceed parallelly. It is not necessary, he says, for the constitutional period to come only after completion of the political training period.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek advocates the promulgation of a constitution with the Government at the same time enforcing political training, enabling citizens to properly exercise their rights under a Constitutional Government.

**EVILS OF THE PAST**

The Generalissimo, however, warns the Chinese people of the evils of Chinese Parliaments in the past after the establishment of the

### GAY CHRISTMAS IN SHANGHAI

Special to the H.K. Daily Press

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26 (Havas).—Christmas was gayly celebrated here despite the curfew regulations and the high prices prevailing everywhere. Department stores, restaurants and night clubs reported record sales.

All toy shops reported an abnormal demand for war toys such as aeroplanes, tanks, guns and uniforms.

### GEN. CHIANG'S GIFT FOR STUDENT RELIEF

KUNMING, Dec. 26 (Central).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has given \$100,000 (Chinese currency) for the relief of refugee college students in Kunming.

The fund has been brought here by Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education. He is discussing measures for distribution with the various colleges and universities.



# In the World of Sports

## SCOTLAND QUALIFY TO MEET CHINA IN FINAL

### England Defeated In Sunday Herald Charity Cup Match

POOR LUCK IN FRONT OF GOAL FOR FRED FOWLER, England's centre-forward, and an excellent display of goal-keeping by Duncan, Scotland's custodian, made possible a victory for Scotland over England by two goals to nil in the semi-final round of the Sunday Herald International Charity Football Cup Competition played yesterday on the Club ground.

The Scots, who thus qualified to meet China in the final, started off at a good pace, and good understanding among the forwards, backed by good play in the immediate line from Williamson, their pivot, caused a series of repeated raids on England's goal in the

course of the first 20 minutes from the kick-off.

The first goal was a rather unexpected one, Pryde netting from just outside the circle, the ball entering the net at the level of Robinson's shoulder. With both defending backs in the line of his vision, the England custodian could do little better than fumble the ball.

For another minute or two, the game continued in Scotland's favour, but then the England forwards sprang into action to dominate the play up to the interval.

#### FOWLER OFFSIDE

A few minutes before the half-time whistle, England's supporters were treated to a goal by Fowler, which was, however, disallowed on his being ruled offside.

With Scotland leading one-nil, the game, after the interval, was featured by three attempts by Fowler to score, Duncan each time executing a brilliant save. The game gradually became more ragged, a second goal for Scotland, off Hossack's boot, deciding the game definitely in their favour with some 10 minutes to go.

England were offered a small chance to catch up when a penalty was allowed against Scotland, Fowler, however, mis-kicking. Scotland's team was definitely the better of the two. Williamson, at pivot, caught the eye again and again, and his only fault of the afternoon was his inability often to get back in time when England had secured the ball after a Scottish raid. Gibb, played at left-half in place of Clarke, gave him good support.

#### MUNRO PROMINENT

Munro, the right-wing, was the pick of the forwards. His centres were brilliantly executed, and he paired well with Pryde. The latter player fully justified his inclusion, displaying a more than ordinary knack for being in place to receive a pass.

With a better control of his speed in front of goal, Pryde could have netted on two other occasions. Either time he kicked too high. Hossack did well by himself at centre-forward, while Ferrier, at inside-left, was another player who was often in the picture. Bone and Blackburn, the backs, spoiled effectively, while Duncan, in goal, executed one brilliant save after another.

Thornburn was the best of the England forwards, with Fowler, early on. Following midfield play, dogged all along by ill luck, the Chan Tak-fai opened China's account, from close in. Portugal failed, Gardner more so in his then took the offensive, Pereira and Castilho both failing in their attempts.

Following the change-over, Portugal went all out for the equaliser, but had hard luck when Gosano's drive, with Tam unsighted, hit the cross bar. Santos then, tested Tam, but his weak effort was easily cleared.

Their efforts were rewarded shortly after. Obtaining possession after a strong Chinese attack, Castilho and Santos, after a pretty exhibition of passing, brought the ball into Chinese territory. They centred to Gosano, whose first time shot hit the cross bar. From the rebound Santos cut in and headed the ball for the equaliser.

### CHRISTMAS DAY FOOTBALL

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—The following were the results of Home football matches played yesterday:

**SOUTH "A"**  
Arsenal 3, Clapton 0.  
Millwall 5, Tottenham 1.  
Southend 0, Charlton 2.  
Watford 5, Crystal Pal. 1.  
West Ham 4, Norwich 1.  
**SOUTH "B"**  
Brentford 4, Portsmouth 0.  
Brighton 1, Bournemouth 3.

### RESULTS

The following are the results of races of the Royal H.K. Yacht Club sailed yesterday:—

#### MANAGERIE (SWEEPSTAKE)

Yacht	Fin.	Cor.	Pos.
Tai Wan Shan	123903	122233	1
(Maj. J. E. Dobbs).			
Highwayman	124337	122254	2
(Capt. J. D. K. Macrae).			
Punal	124220	122517	3
(Dr. L. Fringle).			
Mistral	124847	122703	4
(Mr. Cartwright-Taylor).			
Dorinda	124158	123146	5
(Mr. J. Dewar).			
U and I	124215	123203	6
(Mr. J. Collis).			
Curlew	(D.N.F.).		7
Wendy	124446	123324	8
(Mr. H. Browne).			
Jan	124042	123406	9
(Capt. J. Krogh-Moe).			
Nannette	124254	123428	10
(Mr. V. V. Fasciato).			
Marander	124716	123445	11
(Mr. S. Berg).			
Azurra	123952	123452	12
(Mr. E. Lambert).			
No Name	124159	123510	13
(Mr. H. Gandy).			
True Blue	124155	123419	14
(Mr. L. Garner).			
Painted Lady	124158	123520	15
(Dr. Dean-Smith).			
Gull	124252	123816	16
(Mr. A. O. G. Mills).			
Siskin	124244	124116	17
(Mr. D. G. Allen).			
Yehonala	125824	124634	18
(Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson).			
Treenlour	133015	130013	19
(Maj. C. L. Temple).			

#### SWEEPSTAKE RACE P.M.

Yacht	Fin.	Cor.	Pos.
Tai Wan Shan	170440	164833	1
(Maj. J. E. Dobbs).			
Jan	170314	165244	2
(Capt. J. Krogh-Moe).			
Highwayman	171209	165320	3
(Capt. J. D. K. Macrae).			
Gull	170530	165500	4
(Mr. A. O. G. Mills).			
Painted Lady	170929	165859	5
(Dr. Dean-Smith).			
Mistral	172132	165955	6
(Mr. Cartwright-Taylor).			
Azurra	170418	165959	7
(Mr. E. Lambert).			
Nannette	171421	170056	8
(Mr. W. B. Johnson).			
Punal	172018	170315	9
(Dr. L. D. Fringle).			
Typhoon	172125	170319	10
(Mr. D. Campbell).			
Wendy	172130	170325	11
(Mr. H. W. Browne).			
True Blue	171428	170358	12
(Mr. L. Garner).			
Dorinda	171625	170635	13
(Mr. J. G. B. Dewar).			
U and I	171626	170636	14
(Mr. J. B. Collis).			
No Name	172108	171416	15
(Mr. H. Gandy).			
Yehonala	175251	174606	16
(Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson).			

### SPORTING FIXTURES

#### TODAY

BADMINTON.—Cathedral Hall Badminton, 8 p.m.  
POLO.—R.A. Cup Polo, 3 p.m.  
RUGBY.—Club A v. Police, (Club), 4.45 p.m.

Fulham 3, Queen's P.R. 8.  
Reading 7, Aldershot 2.  
Southampton 5, Chelsea 3.

#### SOUTH WESTERN

Bristol Rovers 3, Swindon 4.  
Newport 1, Bristol C. 1.

#### NORTH EASTERN

Halifax 2, Bradford 3.  
Hartlepool 1, York 2.

#### GLASGOW CUP FINAL

Rangers 3, Queen's Park 1.

#### OTHER MATCHES

Accrington 2, Preston 3.  
Bath 1, Cardiff 3.  
Blackburn 5, Doncaster 0.  
Blackpool 3, Preston 2.  
Bolton 3, Stoke 0.  
Bradford 1, Huddersfield 4.  
Barnley 2, Barnsley 3.  
Bury 4, Leeds 1.  
Carlisle 1, Queen O'Sth. 3.  
Chester 1, Birmingham 1.  
Crewe 3, Rochdale 2.  
Darlington 1, Middlesbrough 5.  
Everton 3, Liverpool 2.  
Grimsby 1, Hull 5.  
Luton 4, Chelsea 2.  
Manchester C. 1, Manchester U. 1.  
Mansfield 2, Lincoln 2.  
Newcastle 1, Gateshead 1.  
Sheffield U. 2, Sheffield W. 1.  
Notts C. 6, Coventry 1.  
Portvale 1, Northampton 1.  
Southport 2, New Brighton 0.  
Stockport 5, Oldham 1.  
Chesterfield 1, Rotherham 1.

## ALEC PEARCE SCORES 126 BEFORE LUNCH

### Perry Also Gets Going With Bat: Rapid 66 Runs

BY E. U. ROPES

Excellent cricket was seen on the Club ground yesterday when the annual Club-Army Triangular Tournament game was played, the latter winning an excellent game by 93 runs.

Highlight of the game was an excellent innings for 126 by Alec Pearce who had the added distinction of scoring his runs before the luncheon interval. Arthur Perry also distinguished himself with a very rapid 66 and later, when the Army went in to bat, Capt. Godby also scored very quickly to pass the half-century mark.

The Army were set to make 302 some of his shots to the leg also runs to win and although they had were "daisy cutters." The best ten minutes under the three-hour cricket of the day was seen when to do this, they went for the runs Perry and Pearce stayed together right from the start and though they did not manage it, they went down fighting.

Fortescue and Richardson opened the innings for the Club who had first lease of the wicket but after a while the former was out and then Alec Pearce came in to play the prettiest innings seen on the Chater Road ground for many a long day. To begin with he was watching the ball very carefully but after he had reached his 30 he began to open out and from this stage onward the rate of scoring was really very fast.

#### HITTING CRISPLY

Pearce was hitting them very crisply through the covers and After this everybody had a go at the bowling and with the Club

score at 301 the innings was declared closed at 2.30 p.m.

#### THE ARMY BATS

Before the Army went in, it was agreed that stumps should be drawn at 5.30 p.m., with no interval for tea. The innings started at 2.40 p.m., Capt. Grose and Cpl. Webb being sent in to open. They did quite well together till Webb was out to an excellent catch at backward point by J. Pearce. Then Capt. Godby joined Grose and these two batted very well together.

At this stage the Club bowling was really good, McLellan (Naval Yard End) and Perry keeping the rate of scoring down for some twenty overs between them. Capt. Grose played some first class shots during his stay at the wicket and after he was out Dvr Logan joined Capt. Godby and another stand followed. By the way it was rather bad luck on Capt. Grose in getting out via the l.b.w. route as he was playing very confidently and appeared well set for a big score.

Capt. Whatman also batted impressively and Major Harvey hit very cleanly for his 31 runs but the rest of the side did not do anything of note and the Army innings came to a close about 10 minutes from time.

The scores were:—

#### H.K.C.C.

J. E. Richardson, l.b.w. Harvey 15

T. V. N. Fortescue, b. Harvey	22
T. A. Pearce, c. Webb, b. Denyer	126
A. E. Perry, st. Grose, b. Murphy	66
J. L. C. Pearce, b. Harvey	10
L. T. Ride, c. Grose, b. Harvey	12
D. I. Bosanquet, b. Harvey	4
R. D. Gillespie, c. Grose, b. Harvey	5
L. D. Kilbee, not out	15
D. McLellan, not out	7
Extras	19
Total (for 8 wks. dec.)	301

S. O. Else did not bat.

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Godby	2	—	14	—
Ratcliffe	8	2	34	—
Harvey	13	—	58	6
Murphy	7	—	70	1
Denyer	8	—	72	1
Swyer	3	—	30	—

#### ARMY

Capt. D. C. E. Grose, l.b.w. McLellan	24
Cpl. Webb, c. J. L. C. Pearce, b. McLellan	3
Cpl. Murphy, c. Fortescue, b. McLellan	1
Capt. C. E. Gobay, c. Kilbee, b. T. A. Pearce	52
Dvr Logan, b. McLellan	17
Major W. G. Harvey, b. J. L. C. Pearce	38
Sgt. Denyer, b. J. L. C. Pearce	8
Capt. A. B. Whatman, not out	16
Spr. Ratcliffe, b. McLellan	18

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**COMING EVENTS**

DEC. 27—Tides: High 10:38 a.m. and 9:30 p.m.; Low 4:12 a.m. and 2:58 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7 a.m.; Sunset: 5:47 p.m.  
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.  
A.L. Fraternity of Canton, Christmas Party, Metropole Hotel, 8 p.m.  
R.A. Cup Polo—3 p.m.  
St. Andrew's Vicarage: Winter Food Relief Committee, 8 p.m.  
S. and S. Home, General Committee, 8:30 p.m.  
Kowloon Union Church, Women's Guild, 10 a.m.  
Cheero Club, Dance, 8:30 p.m.  
28—Tides: High 11:22 a.m. and 10:17 p.m.; Low 4:53 a.m. and 3:41 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7 a.m.; Sunset: 5:47 p.m.  
Sale of Race Ponies at Jockey Club, Peddock, Race Course, 5:15 p.m.  
Cheero Club, Contract Bridge Lessons, 8 p.m.  
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Mtg., 1 p.m.  
Speaker: Mr. Aitchison K. Wu on the Social Customs of Tribes in Sinking.  
29—Tides: High 12:08 p.m. and 11:04 p.m.; Low 5:35 a.m. and 4:27 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7 a.m.; Sunset: 5:48 p.m.  
China Light and Power Recreation Club Dance, 9 p.m.  
Diocesan Boys' School, Charity Dance, 8:30 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m.; Cheero Club, Darts, Ping-Pong and Billiards.  
30—Tides: High 12:56 p.m. and 11:55 p.m.; Low 6:17 a.m. and 5:17 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7 a.m.; Sunset: 5:48 p.m.  
Claims against estate of Leung Chan Tak Yan due.  
R.A.M.C. Asst. Grand Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8:30 p.m.  
Institute of Business Administration, English Forum (Chinese) Christmas Party at Metropole Hotel, 8 p.m.  
31—Tides: High 1:45 p.m.; Low 7:01 a.m. and 6:14 p.m.

## "THE LION HAS WINGS" DUE FOR SCREENING IN HONGKONG

Special to the H.K. Daily Press  
PARIS, Dec. 26 (Havas)—A preview of the British motion picture "The Lion Has Wings" was given to a select audience of celebrities in politics, diplomacy, arts and literature at the Theatre Champs Elysees.

The picture, amalgamates war scenes filmed during the operations of the French and British Air Forces and depicts the daring British air raid on Kiel at the beginning of the war.

It also records the fight by nine French pursuers against twenty-seven German fighters, the French shooting down nine and chasing away the others without suffering any losses.

The picture will soon be shown throughout the Empire, notably in Hongkong.

Sunrise: 7 a.m.; Sunset: 5:49 p.m.  
New Year's Eve.  
Ritual Day: Luncheon at Filipino Club, 1 p.m.  
St. Andrew's Church: Old Year's Day Services.  
Football Shield, First Round.  
Y.M.C.A. Fantomine, 9 p.m.

## America Dislikes Japan's Policy In China

### GLOOMY VIEW OF FUTURE RELATIONS

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26 (Int'l)—Relations between Japan and the United States were characterized as gloomy, according to a Washington dispatch from Mr. K. K. Kawakami, Japanese foreign correspondent for the Nichi Nichi Shimbun received here.

**NO CHANGE**  
There are certain elements within the State Department, said this correspondent, which take the gloomy view that payment of indemnity regarding the damages will not change America's fundamental opposition to Japan's China policy.

Mr. Kawakami, however, comforted his readers by saying that the concentration of the American Navy in the Pacific is not aimed at Japan but is meant to dissipate the public suspicion that the Roosevelt administration may enter the European war, which suspicion would persist if the fleet stayed in the Atlantic.

"There remains the bigger question of the new order in China which America dislikes," added the correspondent.

## China's Oomph Girl Missing

### FAMOUS FILM STAR'S MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE

CHUNGKING, Dec. 22 (Int'l)—Admirers of Miss Ying Yin, the cinema star and oomph girl of the wartime capital, have been searching high and low for her since Dec. 18, when she was reported to have boarded an Eurasia plane for Hongkong.

**TELEPHONE CALL**  
Circumstances of her disappearance are wrapped in a mystery. A telephone call from an unknown person on the Motion Picture Production Company, with which she is under contract, on that day stated that the actress was at the airport taking an air liner for Hongkong, but when officials of the company reached the air field the machine had just left.

Enquiries failed to elicit whether the movie star was aboard the Hongkong-bound plane.

**GREAT FOLLOWING**  
Miss Ying has a great following here, having made a hit with several war pictures. She is reported to be in a romantic affair with a higher-up of the studio and declined an offer to go to Inner Mongolia to take a stellar role in a film war on the burning desert.

## THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

### Chinese Press On Peace & Justice

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—Chinese papers yesterday morning all carried special articles on the occasion of Christmas and also on the anniversary of the Yunnan revolution, which overthrew Yuan Shih-kai.

**PEACE & JUSTICE**  
Central Daily News, official organ of the Chinese Government, declares: "This is China's third Christmas since the Sino-Japanese hostilities. The spirit of Christmas represents love, peace, justice and freedom. The spirit of Christmas can only be realised when there is peace and justice in this world."

**YUNNAN REVOLUTION**  
"At the same time, the spirit of the Yunnan Revolution shows that the Chinese are willing to make any sacrifices for the preservation of their freedom. We are sure the hearts of Christmas all over the world are with us today."

## FRENCH TROOPS TO LEAVE TIENTSIN

TIENTSIN, Dec. 26 (Int'l)—Six hundred French troops in the French Concession here will shortly leave for France for active service.

About one company will be stationed in Shanghai, where the headquarters of this unit will be established.

## BURMESE GOODWILL MISSION ARRIVES IN KUNMING

KUNMING, Dec. 26 (Central)—Following about two weeks' visit in Chungking and Chengtu, the Burmese Goodwill Mission, led by M. U. Ba Lwin, arrived here yesterday, en route to Burma.

The Mission left Chengtu on an Eurasia Aviation Corporation plane at 2:15 p.m. on Sunday, arriving in Chungking an hour later. Taking the advantage of a brief stop-over, the Sino-Burmese Cultural Association convened its first meeting at the aerodrome with Dr. Lo Chia-lun, President of the National Central University, presiding.

Immediately after the meeting, the Mission continued its flight to Kunming, arriving here around 6 p.m. It was greeted by over 1,000 people.

The mission is scheduled to return to Burma on Dec. 27.

## CHINESE ARRESTED IN TIENTSIN

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Central)—More than ten Chinese have been arrested by Japanese troops in the British and French Concessions for unknown reasons, states a Tientsin message.

They were first taken to the British and French Municipal Councils and then extradited to the Japanese.

## British Envoy Going To Chungking

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26 (Int'l)—It is learned that Sir Archibald Kerr, British Ambassador, will sail for Hongkong some time this week, en route to Chungking, and will arrive in the wartime capital before New Year Day.

The trip is said to be in connection with a certain phase of Anglo-Chinese relations.

## China's Rights Will Not Be Compromised

### BRITISH ASSURANCE REAFFIRMED

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Int'l)—British negotiations with Japan will not in any way compromise Chinese rights and interests, Lord Halifax, the British Foreign Secretary, assured Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, who revealed this assurance in an address delivered here last week.

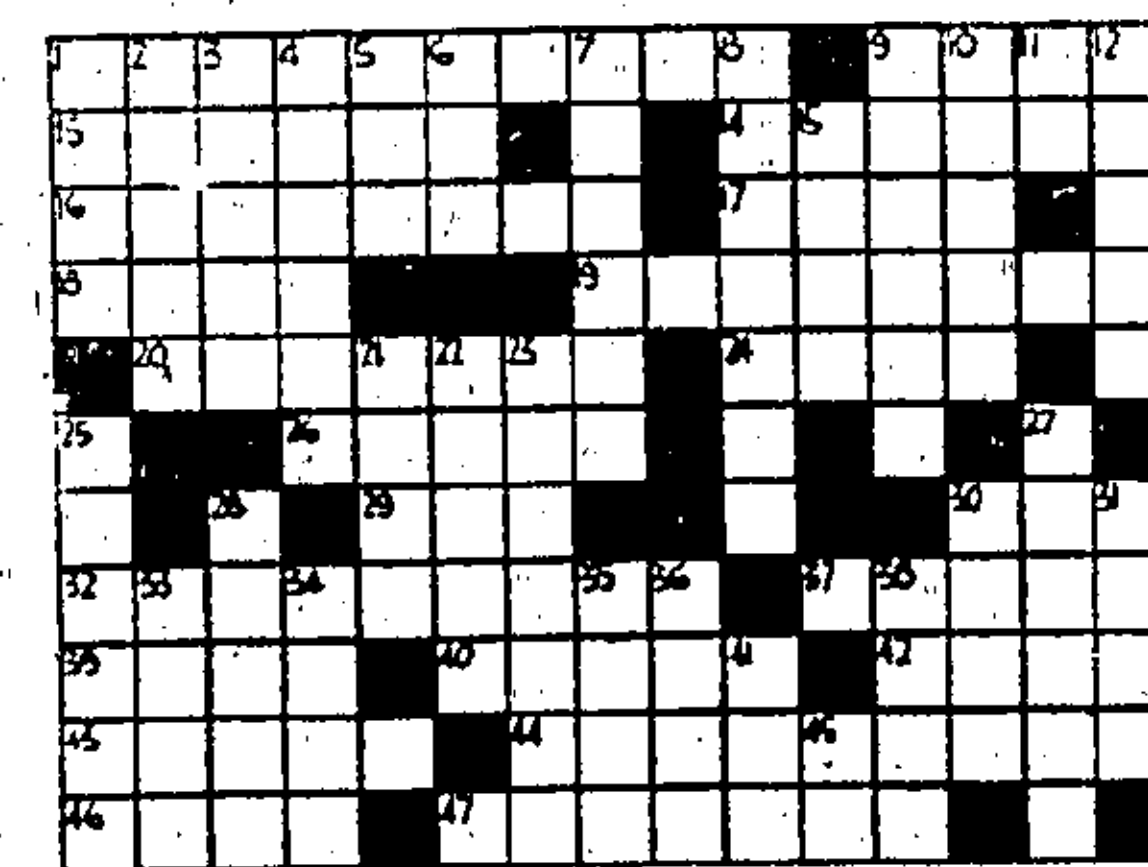
**ROAD TO VICTORY**  
"Mr. Winston Churchill, the first Lord of the Admiralty, told me that China is already on the road to victory," Mr. Sun continued. "I am also assured by Soviet Russia that no matter how the world situation changes, Soviet support to China will continue to the end." Mr. Sun disclosed that people are confident that China's resistance will prevail over the enemy. He recently returned here after an extended stay in Moscow, Paris and London.

## No Statement Until August

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—It was intimated in official quarters yesterday that while President Roosevelt was at Hyde Park, spending Christmas with his grandchildren, that the president would make no statement on his "Third Term" intentions until the National Democratic Convention, which has been fixed for early in August next year.

Mr. Tsang Yang-shu, former mayor of Canton, has arrived in Kunming to assume his new post as director of the new Yunnan-Burma railway under construction. The University of Pittsburgh where Mr. Tsang was graduated has conferred on him an honorary degree of science in recognition of his public service in China.

## CROSSWORD NO. 496



### ACROSS CLUES

- Sam and Lear (anagram)
- Elusive article of dress
- Followed—through paper perhaps
- Garment helps to make a getaway
- That which must be added
- A fruit tree in appearance
- One below this is foul
- Obtained without labour
- Not this nor the other is wanted here
- Seal drinks
- Their salad days are the end of them
- Much of this about nothing is just play
- It's not clear from word I mentioned
- These support arches, bridges, etc.
- A sound way to make amends
- Stands for freedom, but may be used to curtail it
- Forefathers
- Fairy story's first word
- Hertfordshire town which is almost enough to tie parcel
- Though cold in the end it's put up with
- Despatched
- Revolutionary example—may be used by painters (two words)

### DOWN CLUES

- A sharp blow in the stable
- Forest in Shakespeare's play—really a bit of a garden

- Tea spoon for a giant
- Ice act "dissolved" in acid
- Nothing put in front of them would warn superstitious
- Putting two and two together makes one
- Raises objections
- Withdraws; chimes involved, apparently
- Take care in doing this, it's frightened
- Small mountain lake
- Not down in 28 down
- Actions
- An amphibian
- 45 down is in this vehicle
- Internal place
- One bite gives it, but it can't be eaten
- Begins, though beginning of to down doesn't actually begin it
- Shrank in pain or fear
- Fifty and two directions to make a flower
- Forbidden word
- Reward one may deem reverse
- Drill—but drill should never be this
- Con this for peace and happiness
- Stepped
- Dispose of—no gift however
- Another amphibian
- Observe the end of one of the U.S.A.
- Famous artist or just one who knows the big runs?

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## Women To Fly 'Planes For R.A.F.

Pauline Gower, 27-years-old daughter of Sir Robert Gower, M.P.,—she was once an air circus acrobat and is now leader of the Air Transport Auxiliary—has a score of famous woman pilots among her friends. They all want the chance to serve under her.

Pauline is a member of the selection board which is choosing the first eight women pilots to ferry new R. A. F. training aircraft from factory to aerodrome.

Among Pauline's friends are Amy Johnson, Dorothy Spicer, Winifred Crossley, Mabel and Shellah Glass, Lady Mairi Stewart, Jean Batten, and a score of others.

Each girl selected must have at least 200 hours' flying to her credit and be able to pass a strict R. A. F. test in one of the new training machines. They will receive salary and flying pay.

**LIKES DANGER**  
Miss Gower was the first woman to hold an A and B licence and the first to hold a second-class navigator's certificate.

The work will involve flying in all weathers. But some years ago Miss Gower wanted to have her own plane, so she took an old machine into the air and flew it until Sir Robert ordered a two-seater plane for her 21st birthday. With it she toured England with Dorothy Spicer, giving joy-rides to holidaymakers and sleeping in a tent beside the plane.

Now Sir Robert is the proudest man in England.

One woman pilot whom Pauline regards as a "dead cert" for her squadron is a famous woman pilot who has been passing the time recently driving a Royal Navy command all along the Norfolk coast, searching for Nazi mines washed ashore.

"I'm thrilled that Pauline has asked me," she said. "I hope the work is really dangerous."

I hope that the scheme will release men pilots for other duties.

## NEW CAR GAS-FUEL PLANNED

An important decision concerning an alternative motor fuel is likely to be announced shortly by the Government. Engineers, directed by the Ministry of Mines, have been working secretly for months on experiments with a home-produced alternative to motor spirit.

They have now decided that gas made by a miniature gasworks attached to the car is the most practicable method.

Plans have been drawn up of a gas producer plant suitable for all types of heavy vehicles. A number of manufacturers in different parts of the country will probably be offered the option of making the plant.

Many of these standard gas consumers have been on the road for some time on test. They run on anthracite. A heavy lorry equipped with the plant would have a range of about 250 miles, and storage for anthracite to give 500 miles more. —Daily Express.

## POPE PIUS CONDEMNS AGGRESSION

### Five Essentials For Just And Honourable Peace

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—"Atrocities and the unlawful use of means of destruction, even against non-combatants and evacuees, against women, old people and children, and contempt of liberty and human life are acts which call for divine vengeance," declared Pope Pius, in a Christmas message to the College of Cardinals.

"We have had to witness a series of acts incompatible with international and natural law and humanity. These acts reveal how much the juridical sense has been distorted by totalitarian considerations."

## BRITISH WAR PRIZE

### CAPTURED NAZI SHIP IN PANAMA CANAL

BALBOA (PANAMA), Dec. 26 (Reuter)—Large crowds of spectators lined the Canal to watch the transit of the captured German steamer Dusseldorf, which is the first war prize ever to go through the Canal with a prize crew on board.

The vessel was flying the British Naval Ensign astern above the Swastika and her decks were patrolled by British bluejackets, with fixed bayonets. Many of the on-lookers cheered the British.

**SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS**  
Special precautions were taken by the American authorities in view of a rumour that the Germans might attempt to run the ship aground in the narrow section of the Canal. This is believed the reason why a tug preceded the Dusseldorf the whole way and towed the vessel through the Culebra Cut, which ships normally navigate under own their power.

## LAST WEEK'S LOSSES AT SEA

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—The British steamer Inverlane (9,000 tons), which was mined last week, has now been lost. She is stated to be a total loss.

**A THREAT**  
LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—It is reliably learned that when the steamer Scotia was torpedoed in the North Sea, the Danish ship Hafnia attempted to rescue the crew, but a voice from the U-Boat ordered them to steam away, saying that if they effected a rescue they would also be torpedoed.

**GERMAN FREIGHTER**  
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26 (Havas)—The German cargo ship Haviland left Manzanillo, on Mexico's Pacific coast, with a cargo of copra for an unknown destination.

The ship left shortly after the departure of the American coastguard vessel Erie, which had watched the freighter's movements for more than a month.

**LOSSES FOR THE WEEK**  
LONDON, Dec. 26 (BWS)—Shipping losses for the week ended Dec. 23, are ten British ships of 6,581 tons and eight neutral ships of 10,839 tons.

The neutral losses were composed of two Danish, four Swedish, one Norwegian and one Panamanian vessels.

Two Norwegian ships and one Swedish, totalling 4,694 tons, sunk on Dec. 16, but the news arrived too late for inclusion in last week's total.

German losses for the week were the 32,565 tons Columbus, which scuttled herself to avoid capture on Dec. 20.

## OVER 400 DEATHS IN U.S. OVER THE WEEK-END

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (Havas)—It is officially reported that more than 400 people met with violent deaths in the U. S. A. over the week-end. It is added that 224 of these were due to traffic mishaps, the other being suicide, drowning, etc.

## SAVING FOR DEFENCE

During the first week of the War Finance Campaign 5,500,000 National Savings Certificates representing a cash investment of £4,125,000, were sold and Defence Bonds to the value of £4,000,000 Kail-shuk's congratulatory message were also sold.

The average weekly sales of certificates during the three months before the opening of the campaign were approximately £350,000.—The Times (Dec. 2).

"This category includes pre-meditated aggression against small, laborious and pacific nations on the pretence of a menace which never existed and was not even possible"

### HORRORS OF WAR

Declaring that he envisaged with horror the consequences of war, the Pope said: "Those responsible for the destiny of peoples should be able to define at an opportune moment the fundamental points of a just and honourable peace and not refuse to negotiate if the occasion arises."

### FIVE ESSENTIALS

The Pope gives five points as foundations for a just international peace.

**FIRSTLY**, assurance of the independence of all nations;

**SECONDLY**, end of the armaments race;

**THIRDLY**, juridical institutions must guarantee that the legal and lawful application of an agreement is of supreme importance to the honourable acceptance of a peace treaty and that arbitrary and unilateral interpretations of conditions of the treaty must be avoided;

**FOURTHLY**, the needs and just demands of nations and peoples and also ethnic minorities must be particularly considered. If necessary, by means of just, wise and acceptable revisions of treaties;

**FIFTHLY**, the Pope emphasised that those who govern peoples must be imbued with a sense of their responsibilities.

**ROOSEVELT THANKED**  
At the close of his address, the Pope thanked President Roosevelt for his noble and generous effort to restore peace.

He said that other high personalities also, whose names he did not wish to mention, had approached him with efforts to restore peace.

## NO KILTS IN THE WAR ZONE

Battle dress is to be worn generally by troops of the British Expeditionary Force in the war zone. Highland regiments are to discard the kilt for the new dress. The personnel will, however, be permitted to wear the glengarry instead of the field service cap. When in the front line they will wear the steel helmet.

Highland units which are waiting for an issue of the battle dress will, in the meantime, wear the khaki apron. For all ceremonial occasions and for walking out when on leave, they will wear the kilt.

The battle dress was designed to give soldiers, when on active service, freedom of movement and greater comfort. It was also intended to remove distinctions by which regiments might be identified by the enemy.

The killed regiments were greatly disliked by the Germans during the last war.

A captured list of British divisions to be feared placed the 51st Highland Territorial Division at the top. The Guards came next.

## STALIN'S REPLY TO NAZI GOOD WISHES

MOSCOW, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—M. Stalin, in a message to Herr von Ribbentrop, acknowledging the Nazi birthday congratulations, declares: "The friendship of the peoples of Germany and the Soviet, cemented by blood, has every reason to be lasting and firm."

**REPLY TO GEN. CHIANG**  
CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Central)—M. Stalin has telegraphed his thanks to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's congratulatory message for his 60th birthday anniversary on Dec. 21.

In his message M. Stalin expressed his hope that China would pressed his hope that China would win complete victory in the present resistance.

## EX-FLYING ACE'S PLUCK

### BACK IN R.A.F. WITH FALSE LIMB'S

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—Eight years ago, Flying-Officer D. R. S. Bader, former Hendon aerobatic ace, coming out of a slow roll, crashed in Reading and received terrible injuries. He hovered between life and death in hospital and as a result of the crash lost both legs.

Now he is once more an Air Force pilot somewhere in England.

### REAL PLUCK

As soon as he was able, he took a course of civil aviation, actually learning to pilot a plane by operating the rudder and controls with his false limbs.

An application to rejoin the Air Force was refused in peace-time, but on the outbreak of war he renewed his application, asking to be allowed to fly single-seater machines.

This time he was accepted. Flying-Officer Bader has stoically overcome his injuries. He now holds a short-handled cap at golf, dances and drives his own motorcar.

## Gracie Sings To Troops

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT BEHIND THE LINES

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—Duty watches were maintained by all R. A. F. units in France throughout Christmas, but many of the men were able to enjoy their Christmas dinner in their billets says Reuter's special correspondent with the Air Force.

**SURPRISE VISIT**  
Several hundred airmen received a surprise visit from Gracie Fields, who arrived at the men's decorated dining hall where she was greeted with tremendous enthusiasm and cheers. She sang several songs.

Later Gracie sang to a crowded, cheering and appreciative audience in a cinema behind the lines at a concert broadcast by the B. B. C.

The audience joined in singing old war songs, concluding with Christmas Carols.

## FORTUNE TELLS THE QUEEN -

### "HAPPY MARRIAGE"

The Queen had her fortune told by a penny-in-the-slot fortune-telling machine at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, Marylebone-road, N. W.

She was paying an informal visit to the hospital of which she is patron, when she came across the machine in a nurses' sitting-room. The Queen borrowed a penny from Sir Samuel Scott, hospital chairman, inserted it in the slot and watched the hand swing round. It stopped opposite the disc which predicted "A happy marriage" for her.

**"I WOULD NOT DARE..."**  
During her tour the Queen was alarmed when Mr. Louis Carnac Rivett, the hospital obstetric surgeon, picked up six-days-old Michael Philips in one hand and held him up.

"Oh, he gave—"the Queen said. Then she added: "I would not dare to hold him like that."

Later she learned that Sir Samuel Scott is afraid of holding babies. She asked him to try. But Sir Samuel said he dare not do so even to please her Majesty.

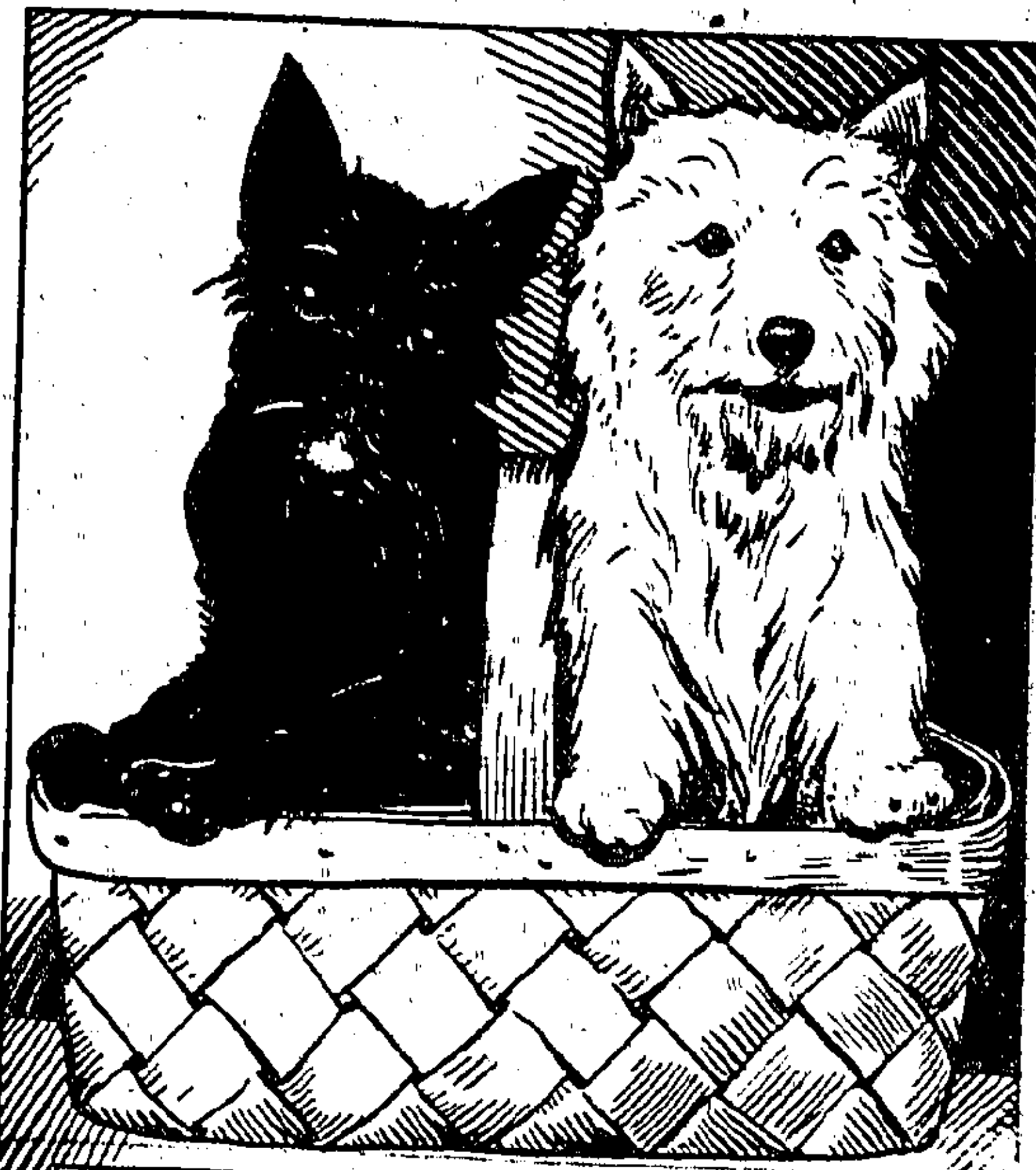
### GUARD OF MIDWIVES

When the Queen arrived at the hospital she was greeted by a guard of honour formed by members of Queen Charlotte's squad of motor-cycling midwives.

She visited all the wards of the hospital, and spent a long time taking to the mothers and peeping into all the blue-covered cots fastened to the foot of each bed.

Queen Charlotte's is one of the new hospitals in London which have not been evacuated, and which will not take in any air-raid casualties. A. R. P. at the hospital has cost £12,000, and the Queen inspected the "gas-proof room into which all the babies will be taken if there is an air raid."

The Chinese Ministry of Education has decreed that history and geography should be included in the curricula of vocational schools in order to make the students understand China better.

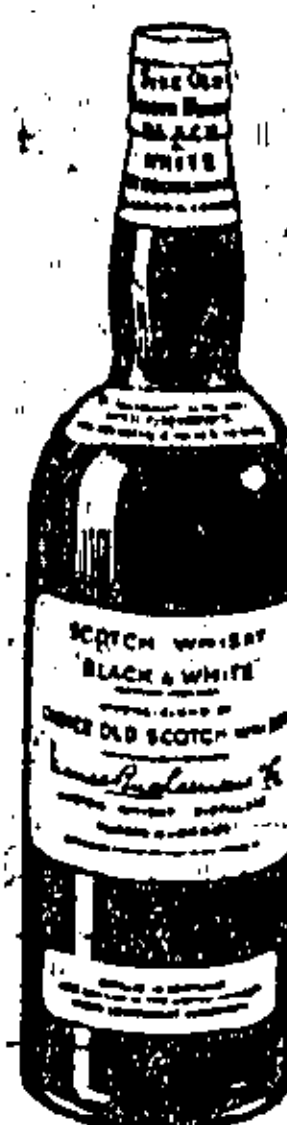


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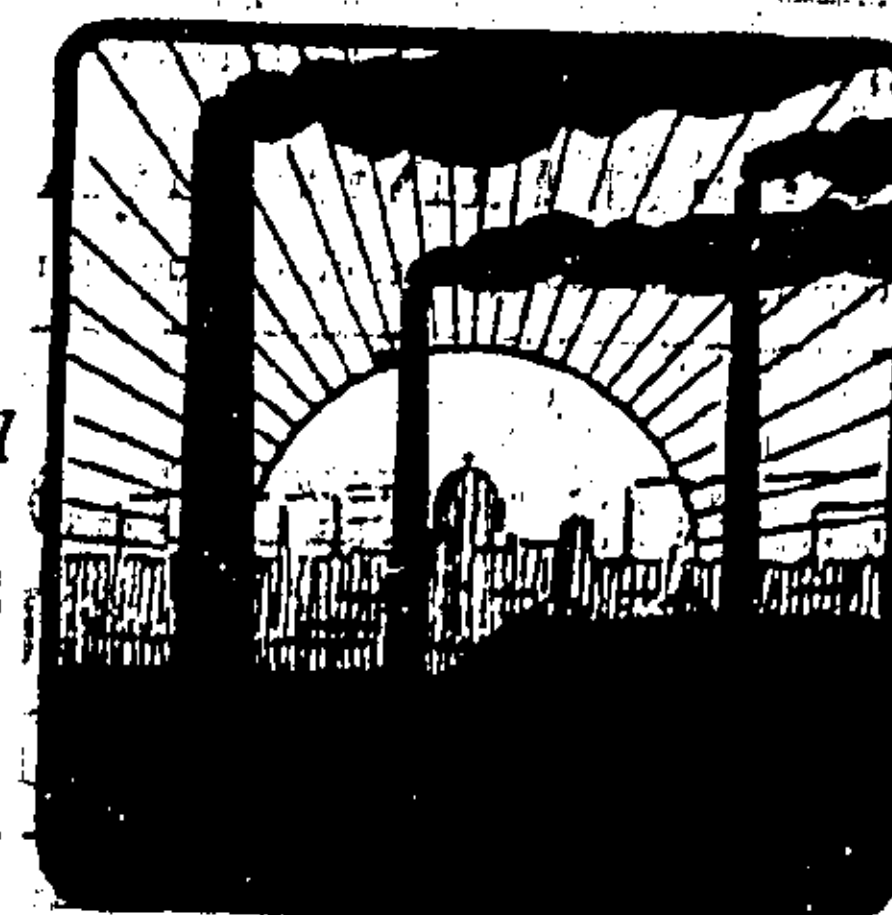


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## CAMPAIGN TO PURCHASE WINTER CLOTHING FOR CHINESE SOLDIERS

Various activities in connexion with the Canton University Students' Committee's campaign to purchase winter clothing for soldiers were announced at a tea-party held in the Windsor Cafe yesterday.

The campaign is already in full swing. The aim is to secure sufficient funds for 4,000 garments. The money will be remitted to Madame Chiang Kai-shek at Chungking.

### "Round The Empire" Broadcast

The "Round the Empire" programme broadcast by the B.B.C. on Monday night, prior to the Christmas message by H.M. the King, was very interesting and was well received in Hongkong.

The microphone tour began in the South of England and then took the world-wide audience in turn to the Midlands, Wales, the North of England, Northern Ireland and Scotland.

#### DOVER PATROL

Listeners were next taken over to a field hospital of the B.E.F. in France, to the Dover Patrol and a Royal Air Force station somewhere in England, all of which was extremely interesting.

Contributions then followed from Canada, Australia, a munitions factory in New Zealand, India, and South Africa. The Colonial Empire was represented by Singapore where a clerk, who has been in the Government service for 17 years, broadcast a message of loyalty and good wishes.

The broadcast by His Majesty was heard very clearly in Hongkong.

## CHRISTMAS AIR MAIL

The Imperial Airways' plane R. M. A. Denebola from Bangkok, which was delayed, arrived in Hongkong on Monday afternoon.

Mr. C. Reith, official of the Bahrain Petroleum Co. in Bahrain and Mrs. Reith arrived on the plane. They plan to leave for the United States by the Clipper at the end of this week.

A Chinese passenger also came from Bangkok. Captain J. Davies was in command of the plane.

#### CHINA CLIPPER

Pan American Airways' China Clipper which arrived in Hongkong last Saturday from Manila departed yesterday morning for San Francisco.

The California Clipper, due in Hongkong yesterday, has been delayed 48 hours and is not arriving until Thursday. The return flight will leave Kai Tak on Friday morning, weather permitting.

#### AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:

##### NORTHBOUND

Thursday: Bangkok, Hanol, Hongkong.  
Denebola 4 p.m.

##### SOUTHBOUND

Sunday: Hanol, Bangkok, Dellea—7 a.m.  
Air France

##### NORTHBOUND

Wednesday: France, Hanol, Hongkong.  
Service—4 p.m.

##### SOUTHBOUND

Thursday: Hanol, France.  
Service—8 a.m.

Pan American Airways:

##### EASTBOUND

Friday: U. S. A., Manila, Hongkong.  
California Clipper—2 p.m.

##### WESTBOUND

Friday: Manila, U. S. A.  
California Clipper—8.30 a.m.

The South-West branch of the Japanese Anti-War League in China, was formally established in Kwelin on Saturday with Mr. Wataru Kaji, well-known Japanese writer, as chairman. A manifesto calling upon the Japanese to stop the war of aggression and withdraw their troops was issued following the inaugural meeting.

M. Eminali Sipahi, Turkish Minister to China, who arrived in Chungking on December 21, will present his credentials to Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, today, says Central News.

## Radio Programmes

### HONGKONG

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#### "THE HEART OF ENGLAND" B.B.C. RECORDING

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Sydney Gustard at the Organ. Nola (Arndt); Funeral March of a Marionette (Gounod); Teddy Bears' Picnic (Bratton); Grasshoppers' Dance (Bucalossi).

12.43 Songs by Bing Crosby with Orchestral Accompaniment.

Robins and Roses (Leslie Burke); Would You? (film "San Francisco"); The Lonesome Road (Shikret Austin); Little Sir Echo (Smith and Others); I Have Eyes (film "Paris Honeymoon").

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—The Merry-Go-Round; Break Down; Paso Doble—Le Tourquet; Noel; Coward-Medley—Intro: City; Dance Little Lady; A Room with a View; Caballero; Dear Little Cafe; Kiss Me; Ladies of the Town; 20th Century Blues; I'm Mad About You; Half Caste Woman; Try to Learn to Love; Teach Me to Dance Like Gipsy; Zigeuner; Someday I'll Find You; If Love Were All; Waltz—One Life, One Love; Tango—Beside My Caravan; Southern Holiday (A Fantasy of Negro Moods—Foresythe).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Mozart—Concerto in D Major ("Coronation").

Wanda, Landowska (Piano) with Chamber Orchestra conducted by Walter Goehr.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 An hour of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—You're Lovely Madame; What Have You Got That Gets Me; Bob Crosby with His Orchestra. Tangos—Tango Marina; When A Gipsy Played—Emil Rooze and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Ain't She Sweet? Quickstep—Somebody Stole My Gal; Brian Lawrence and His Quartet; Fox-Trot—Sweet Genevieve; The Sunny Side of the Rockies—Ronnie Munro and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—How'd I Like to Love Me? (from "College Swing"); I Fall in Love With You Every Day (from "College Swing"); Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra. Quickstep—Hold Tight; Fox-Trot—I Can't Get You Out of My Mind—Jack Hyllon and His Orchestra. Tangos—Mama's Man; For Vos Yo Me Rompo Todo—Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Fox-Trots—Two Little Flies On A Lump of Sugar; Just A-Wearyin' For You—Jack Jackson and His Orchestra. Comedy Waltz—The Travelling Salesman; Comedy Novelty—A B.C. Dance Orchestra. Swing Music—The Skaters' Waltz in Swingtime—Bob Crosby and His Orchestra.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.01 B.B.C. Recording—"The Heart of England".

A Programme from the Midlands arranged and produced by Robin Whitworth.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Classical Request Programme.

"The Barber of Seville"—Overture (Rossini)—Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York.

Toscanini—Gloria O. Quella ("Rigoletto")—Verdi; Tito Schipa (Tenor) with Orch. Overture "Merry Wives of Windsor" (Nicola)—The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult. Musetta's Waltz Song ("La Boheme"—Puccini)—Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orch. Perpetual Motion, Op. 11 (Faganini); Dance

Of The Goblins, Op. 23 (Bazzani)—Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano accompaniment by Marcel Casals. Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2 (Liszt)—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski. Spanish Dance (Granados, arr. Casals); Vito (Spanish Dance) Op. 84, No. 5 (Poppo)—Pablo Casals (Cello) with Piano accompaniment by Nicola Mednikoff. Movements Perpetuelle (Fouleco); Etude (Stravinsky)—Beno; Medewitch (Piano). Onaway! Awake! Beloved ("Hiawatha"—Coleridge-Taylor)—Tudor Davies (Tenor) with Orch. London Bridge March (Eric Coates)—New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis.

8.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

8.15 London Relay—News Summary.

8.25 Variety with Sidney Torch, Al Bowly, Ruth Etting and Others.

Cinema Organ—I Want To Be Snappy—Medley—Sidney Torch. Vocal—Violin in Vienna (Strauss-Dale); I Miss You in the Morning (Liedle-Burke)—Al Bowly with Orchestra.

8.35 Xylophone (Green); Lady of Madrid (Damerell and Others)—Joe Green (Xylophone and Octarimba) and Milt Herth (Organ). Vocal—There's A Lull in My Life (from "Wake Up and Live")—It's Swell of You (from "Wake Up and Live")—Ruth Etting. Piano—Charlie Kunk. Piano Medley—D. 8—Intro: The greatest mistake of my life: Let us be sweethearts over again; Ten pretty girls; Moon at sea; No more you; Wake Up and Live—Charlie Kunk. Saxophone—My Kingdom for a Kiss (from "Hearts Divided"); I Have Lost My Heart in Budapest (Mihaly-Raymond Baird). Cinema Organ—Irving Berlin Memories—Intro: What'll I do; Blue Skies; Always; How deep is the Ocean; Say it with music; You forgot to remember; Say it isn't so; The song is ended—Al Bollington.

10.15 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Honolulu (from the film); This Night (film "Honolulu")—Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.

Waltz—The Moon of Manakora (film "The Hurricane"); Quickstep—You Couldn't Be Cut (film "Joy of Living")—Henry Jacques & His Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot—Just one more chance; Quickstep—My Blue Heaven—Josephine Bradley and Her Ballroom Orchestra. Tangos—Red Roses; Vision—Emil Rooze and His Orchestra.

11.00 Close down.

### SHORT WAVE

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G.S.O.	15.19mc. (19.79m.)	11.00 a.m.

#### NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I—News Summary—4.00 p.m.

Full Bulletin—5.00 p.m.

Trans. II & III—News Summary—6.45 p.m.

Full Bulletin—7.30 p.m.

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Transmission V—News Summary—7.30 a.m.

Full Bulletin—8.30 a.m.

### SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C.

(All Hongkong Time)

Mondays—Background to the News—11.00 p.m.

Tuesdays—Background to the News—8.15 a.m.

In England Now—11.00 p.m.

Cards on the Table 8.00 p.m.

Wednesdays—In England Now—6.45 a.m.

Cards on the Table 8.15 a.m.

Matters of Moment 11.00 p.m.

Thursdays—Matters of Moment—6.45 a.m.

Background to the News—11.00 p.m.

Fridays—In England Now—11.00 p.m.

Saturdays—In England Now—6.45 a.m.

London Log—3.30 p.m.

London Log—11.15 p.m.

Sundays—London Log—6.45 a.m.

### ESCAPEE GAOLED

Convicted on a charge of having, on December 23 at 4 a.m., escaped from Matachung Internment Camp, a Chinese soldier, Lau Keh-ho, 30, was sentenced by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Court yesterday to three weeks' hard labour.

Two other interned soldiers, Chin Tak-pui, 28, and Lo Wai, 19, were convicted of having damaged two wooden bed-boards, property of the Camp, and with having attempted to escape. They were sentenced each to two weeks' hard labour.

Owing to opposition on the part of the vegetable and fruit dealers, little progress has been made by the Japanese and puppet authorities in Shanghai in the establishment of Central Vegetable and Fruit Mart, according to a Shanghai report. The Japanese and puppet seek to control the vegetable and fruit trade by this scheme.

## Canton University English Club's Message To Admiral H. E. Yarnell

THE CANTON UNIVERSITY ENGLISH CLUB RECENTLY SENT A MESSAGE TO ADMIRAL H. E. YARNELL, FORMER COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE UNITED STATES ASIATIC FLEET, through the American Committee for Non-Participation in Japanese Aggression, in acknowledgment of his strong appeal to the American public for suspending war supplies to Japan.

The message reads as follows:

Dear Admiral Yarnell:

We beg to express our keen appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for your noble efforts in promoting this campaign against the aggressor. We are absolutely confident that under your leadership such a movement will help to bring about a reign of international goodwill and justice.

A HEAVY BLOW

The annual export of the American armaments to Japan is exceedingly enormous. These large-scale transactions may prove valuable to the American armament manufacturers, but they undoubtedly give us a heavy blow. It is evident to all that the American manufactured armaments have been used by the Japanese forces to massacre millions of our non-combatants.

The Japanese planes manufactured by the United States have played havoc among Chinese open towns, cities and cultural centres and incidentally, foreign properties. Paradoxical though it seems, such an act on the part of our American friends has, in fact, encouraged, directly or indirectly, the aggressor.

U. S. SINO RELATIONS

Sino-American relations have been cordial. We know the force of American public opinion. We know our American friends highly esteem justice and righteousness. We, therefore, beg you to call the attention of the American people to the actual state of affairs and sincerely hope such a wrong will soon be rectified. We take this opportunity to express our best wishes and request your kind assistance and collaboration.

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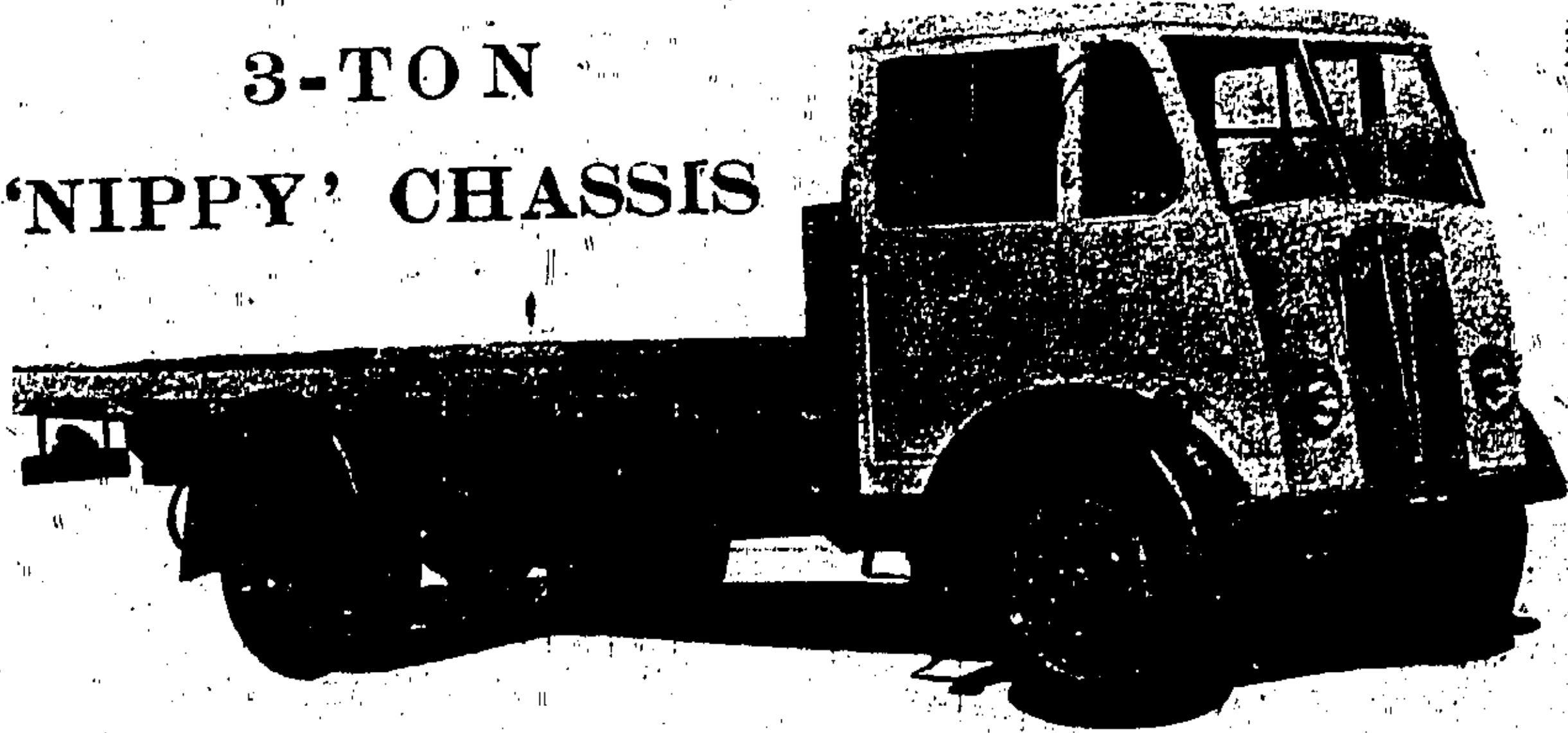
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## KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

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Notice is hereby given that all outstanding Debentures (260) of the above-named Club will be redeemed on the 31st March, 1940.

All holders of this Club's Debentures are requested to present them at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Victoria, Hong Kong, on or after the 31st March, 1940, when the principal moneys secured will be paid against surrender of Debentures and unmatured interest coupons.

(Sgd.) S. M. WHITE,  
Hon. Secretary.  
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## ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

The Middle School re-opens Jan. 2nd. Entrance Examination on Saturday, December 30th, at 9 a.m. For Prospectus, apply to Fung Man Sui, Esq., or Chan Pak Luk, Esq., Messrs. Harry Wicking, Prince's Building, (Tel. 30241) or to

St. Stephen's College, STANLEY.

## ST. STEPHEN'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL, STANLEY.

The Preparatory School, for boarders (boys) and day-pupils (boys and girls) re-opens Jan. 2nd. A Kindergarten Class for Chinese day-pupils, boys and girls, will be opened on January 2nd at 9 a.m. For particulars, apply

St. Stephen's College, STANLEY.

G. R.

**PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd day of Jan. 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.**

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
New Kowloon Island Lot No. 5741	Between Inland Lots Nos. 493 & 494, Pak Wing Street, Shamshui.	As per sale plan.	About 6,000	74	6750	898

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
Inland Lot No. 5741	Between Inland Lots Nos. 507 and 509, King's Road.	As per sale plan.	About 13,750	202	20,025	897

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**PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd day of Jan. 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Conduit Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 21 years.**

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
Garden Lot No. 111	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 949, Conduit Road.	As per sale plan.	About 16	336		899

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Of course, it is not altogether a matter of the designer's art for there is no denying the fact that there is now a much wider and more suitable range of fabrics available so that suits for the climate in any part of the world may be arranged for.

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## DIMINISHING RETURNS

**THE IMPRESSIVE MAP-DIAGRAM** demonstrating the slowing-down of Japan's military penetration of China which we print on our front page today offers graphic proof of the strengthening of Chinese resistance and the progressive deterioration of the striking power of the invaders.

**DURING THE SIX MONTHS** that passed between the outbreak of the war and the weeks following the fall of Nanking, Japanese armies covered the amazing distance of 2,220 kilometres. Along the Peiping-Suiyuan railway, a push begun immediately after the Lukouchiao incident carried them as far as Paotou. In Shansi, the invaders took Tatum, Talyuan and Linfen and advanced as far as Pingyao, a total of 300 kilometres. Pressing south from Peiping along the parallel Tientsin-Pukow and Peiping-Hankow railways, they travelled 400 kilometres along each line to Talian and Anyang respectively, crossing the Yellow River in Shantung. In Central China they pushed west from Shanghai to Wuhu and south from Shanghai to Hangchow. Their average daily rate of advance, on the basis of this calculation was 12 kilometres—little less than a normal day's march even in the absence of resistance.

IN 1938, the advance for the whole year—2,350 Km.—was little more than that accomplished in half that time in the previous period, the daily average coming down to 61 Km. Nevertheless, in spite of the successful delaying actions fought by the Chinese at Talerhchuang and Julchang, in both of which the Japanese suffered heavy losses, the enemy war machine continued to work at full power. Only on the Peiping-Suiyuan railway the furthest point reached by their columns remained what it had been—Paotou. Japanese armies in Shansi penetrated as far as Fenglingtu, across the Yellow River from the fortress of Tungkuang, key to China's western routes, which they subjected to constant artillery fire. The Tientsin-Pukow railway fell entirely into Japanese hands as did the Peiping-Hankow line, with the exception of a small stretch near Chengchow which was saved by the June floods. Along the Yangtze, the Japanese took their objective—Hankow—and passed beyond it to Yoyang. Other gains were made in Shantung and Kiangsi. Canton was abandoned.

IT WAS ONLY after they had exerted their great effort in the autumn of last year that the invaders found themselves unable to continue. The year 1939 is now over, yet on 'all the main fronts they stand where they did twelve months ago. The push from Yoyang towards Changsha ended dismally in the worst military defeat Japan have experienced thus far. In Central China, the whole year has yielded only a hundred kilometres of high-way in Hupeh, between Tsao-shih and Chungshang. The position around Canton remains unchanged. An additional 50 kilometres secured in the face of stiff opposition in Kiangsi, a 100 Km. gain on the coast of Hainan Island (the interior of which re-

## AMERICAN STUDENTS CONTINUE HELP TO CHINESE STUDENTS

CHUNGKING, Dec. 25 (Central)—In spite of the European war, every effort is being made by American students to continue and increase aid, financial and otherwise, to Chinese students, asserted Mr. Paul Moritz, representative of the Far Eastern Student Service Fund, who is on an extended trip to Free China.

In the past two years, between \$275,000 and \$300,000 has been collected for relief purposes in China by the F.E.S.S.F., which is composed of a number of the most important student groups in America, including the International Student Service, the American Student Union, the National Student Federation of America, the United Students Peace Committee, church groups, and other movements, he said.

Mr. Moritz explained that the American student fund for Chinese students serves a double purpose. First, it is a practical expression of sympathy toward China and Chinese youth, and secondly it is an educational process for American students by which they are freed somewhat from the danger of stagnation, from their supposed and superficial freedom from danger.

## A NEW SPIRIT

Mr. Moritz declared: "We cannot forget the suffering of our Chinese friends; we must express ourselves as part of a universal brotherhood. We must make our creed and our belief real by action. Again, if America becomes involved in a European war, she not only will have chosen to forget China but will have chosen a course which, at best, seems to hold little hope. During the struggle in the Orient American students have had the opportunity to witness a new spirit, a new attitude in war."

"We believe, also, that the Chinese are a peace-loving people forced to fight against their will, and that China has no immediate imperialist ambition. In the midst of resistance, an unparalleled programme of reconstruction is being carried forward. This seems to be a completely new development. We admire the fact that the Chinese are being taught not to hate the Japanese but to distinguish between the militarists and the people of Japan."

Mr. Moritz, who last year was chairman of the National Inter-Collegiate Christian Council, is now in Chungking, investigating educational and general conditions in the Northwest. He is succeeding Mr. Jack McMichael, who representing the same council, made a similar tour last year.

mains Chinese), and a similar advance from Pakhoi (now seemingly halted) bring the total for the year to 350 Km.—one kilometre a day! It is easy to see why Japan has preferred to concentrate all her artillery on the Wang Ching-wai front, which appeared an easier route to the constant objective of breaking down Chinese resistance. But here, although this cannot be measured in miles, it is perfectly obvious that no advance has been made.

These figures tell only a small part of the story. They make no mention of the hundreds of thousands of square miles reconquered by Chinese regulars and guerrillas in the rear of the enemy within the past two years—especially in Hopei, Shansi and Shantung and the lower stretches of the Yangtze. They make no mention of the constant attrition of Japanese strength against the partisans which have had as little practical result as would ploughing a lake.

**THE IMPARTIAL OBSERVER** knows that these facts are a reflection of the insufficiency of Japanese strength and the growing power of Chinese resistance—a presage of the downfall of the entire continental campaign of the invaders. These things are now clear even to Japan's leaders. It remains to be seen what success General Abe and his colleagues will have in breaking the news to the Japanese people who have shed their blood and suffered innumerable privations in this wickedest and most senseless of all aggressions.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## CHINESE PEACE PRESERVATION CORPS

(To The Editor, Hongkong Daily Press)

Sir—As it seems desirable to acquaint the general public with the origin and object of the above Corps I shall be glad if you will be kind enough to give publicity to this letter.

In view of the grave emergency which confronted the Colony about the middle of August, 1939, and on the invitation of the Chinese Members of Councils, a Committee with myself as Chairman assumed the responsibility of organising the Corps, and for this purpose various meetings took place in August.

The objects of the Corps—which was formed with the approval of His Excellency the Governor—are to assist the Police in maintaining peace and good order, and it is complementary to the regular Police Force, the Police Reserves and the District Watch Force, with all of which the Corps is in close co-operation.

Apart from a small Government grant, which was expended on the purchase of truncheons, police whistles and armlets, the whole Corps depends on Chinese voluntary support.

The Corps was officially inaugurated on Oct. 7, and though a state of emergency did not exist at the time, it was thought desirable to post members on patrol duty from Oct. 15 for a period of six months so that they might gain experience and be better fitted for their duties in time of emergency.

The Corps is organised into 16 districts under a leader of each district well known in that area. It is under the direct supervision of the four Chinese Members of Councils and an executive committee of 8, consisting of well known residents of the Colony, and with the Hon. Sir Shou-chun Chow, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Dr. S. C. T'so as advisers. It has at present a membership of some 1,700 members.

The rents of the district offices, the cost of uniforms and clerical expenses of district offices, and of the Central Office, and defrayed from voluntary subscriptions. Detailed accounts of all collections made by district offices as well as by the Central office, are kept, and will be audited and published in due course.

In spite of any statements to the contrary I desire to assert that the Corps has always made it abundantly clear that all subscriptions are voluntary. Although when asked as to how much should be given by each house, representatives of the Corps have indicated that 50 cents would be an appropriate amount, it is untrue to say that nothing less would be accepted. In point of fact, as the records of the Corps show, lesser amounts have regularly been received.

Although the Corps was formed on account of, and under the stress of, an emergency, and although the Corps may not be absolutely necessary under conditions now prevailing, I feel that it will be generally agreed that members from a particular district and serving that particular district in the preservation of peace and order, are performing a very useful social service, and that the experience gained under present conditions will be of inestimable benefit to the Colony when their services are required in an emergency which we all hope will never eventuate.

The fundamental idea of the Corps is personal and gratuitous service. As most of us have to earn our living during the day time, the activities of the members of the Corps are, as a rule, confined to patrolling after office hours, i.e. from 6 p.m. to 8 a.m. But in certain districts, notably Caine Road and Bonham Road, the Corps is undertaking day duties at the special request of the residents, and for this purpose certain paid members of the Corps for day duties have been enlisted.

I feel I can point out with justifiable pride that even during the short time of the Corps' existence its members have already rendered valuable service to the regular

## PIRATE PUBLISHING EXPANDS IN SHANGHAI

## Reprint Trade Grows From Furtive Street Sale

From a group of furtive-eyed salesmen who peddled their wares on street-corners the pirate book trade has, in an amazingly short space of time, expanded to the proportions of a big business. Where once only a handful of wary street-salesmen handled the products of this business, pirate books are now being offered for sale in most Chinese bookshops in Shanghai. The list of books has grown too, from the familiar dozen or so political reprints, which were first products of the trade, to the hundreds of books which are now on sale.

These pirate editions of books which are copyright in other countries are by no means confined to any particular type of literature. Walk into any bookshop which deals in these local editions and you will find on the shelves books on chemistry, engineering, and psychology in addition to the best-selling novels, which are of course the main stock in trade.

Even Webster's dictionary has been reprinted for the benefit of Shanghaiers who cannot afford to purchase the original. One publishing firm is offering Rudyard Kipling's set of Jungle Books for the modest price of \$6, at the same time advising the prospective customer that the books would make an excellent gift for some youngster. Scott's Standard Stamp Catalogue for 1940 is also for sale in a reprinted edition. The original of this well-known volume costs \$60 but the pirated edition is priced at \$15.

**NOTHING TO CHANCE** There is nothing left to chance in this pirate publishing business. Unlike the bona-fide publishers in other countries who put a book on the market, advertise the product and then utter a fervent prayer that it catches the public, the pirate publisher leaves nothing to chance.

His market is already made, there is already a demand for the product which he has to offer, for the books which are being reprinted here in Shanghai are those which have proved their popularity in Europe and America. Shanghai's reprint publishers have no time to waste on a book which will not increase the lucrative business they have already built up.

From casual observation it would appear that lately the pirate publishers have been cashing in on the publicity given to their wares by the motion pictures. For instance, "Jamaica Inn," which is now playing at a local cinema, made its appearance in pirate book form shortly before the film arrived in Shanghai. The same is true of Louis Bromfield's novel of India, "The Rajah's Game," which is to appear on the local screen in the near future and which is now obtainable in the reprint edition at most bookshops in Shanghai. There is no doubt, however, that the reprinted version of the original book is closer to the story written by the author than the Hollywood version.

**THORNE SMITH SERIES** That the first one or two of the late Thorne Smith's works to be published locally were extremely popular is proved by the fact that now every book which the famous

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May I add that at all times I view any persons genuinely interested in the Corps, and to answer any queries concerning the same. Thanking you for the valuable space,

Yours faithfully,

(O.W. LUKE)

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May I add that at all times I view any persons genuinely interested in the Corps, and to answer any queries concerning the same. Thanking you for the valuable space,

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## FIVE - HOUR MUTINY IN LONDONDERRY

LONDON, DEC. 26 (REUTER)—A FIVE-HOUR MUTINY OCCURRED ON XMAS DAY IN LONDONDERRY GAOL, WHERE SIXTY MEN WERE INTERRED AS REPUBLICAN SUSPECTS FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR.

The mutineers over-powered the warders and maintained a siege of a part of the prison where they fired the bedding, furniture, sang Republican songs and shouted slogans to the crowds in the streets, some of whom prayed and repeated the Litany.

Police with drawn revolvers finally burst through the doors which were previously burned by plumbers with acetylene torches, and the prisoners made a final stand in their cells, armed with bottles and boards until they were eventually over-powered.



# H.M. THE KING'S STIRRING CHRISTMAS DAY MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLES OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

## Tribute To The Men Who Go Down To Sea In Ships

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Sitting alone in his study at Sandringham House yesterday, His Majesty the King broadcast his Christmas Day message to the peoples of his Empire, using the same microphone which he used for his first Christmas broadcast two years ago.

At that time, His Majesty intended not to continue the practice of broadcasting on Christmas Day because it had been so personally connected with his father, but he broadcast yesterday, because of the war.

His Majesty had Christmas luncheon with the Queen and the two Princesses in the big dining room and, a few minutes before 3 p.m., he went alone to his study, waiting for the red glimmer above the microphone telling him that he was in touch with his whole Empire.

The Queen and the Princesses listened in to the speech from a loud-speaker in another room.

### H.M.'S MESSAGE

His Majesty said: "The festival which we all know as Christmas is, above all, festival of peace and of the home. Among all free peoples, the love of peace is profound, for this alone gives security to the home. But true peace is in the hearts of men and it is a tragedy of this time that here are powerful countries, whose whole direction and policy are based on aggression and the suppression of all we hold dear for mankind.

"It is this that has stirred our peoples and given them a unity unknown in any previous war. We feel in our hearts that we are fighting against wickedness and this conviction will give us strength from day to day to persevere until victory is assured.

### THE ROYAL NAVY

"At home, we are as it were taking the strain for what may lie ahead of us resolved and confident. We look with pride and thankfulness on the never-failing course and devotion of the Royal Navy, which, throughout the last four months, has burst the storm of a ruthless and unceasing war. And when speak of our Navy today, I mean all the men of our Empire who go down to sea in ships, merchant marine, miners, trawlers and drifters, from the senior officers to the last boy who joined up. To everyone in this Great Fleet I send a message.

### R.A.F. & ARMY

"I send a message to our gallant Air Force, which in co-operation with the Navy is our sure shield in defence. They are daily adding laurels to those their fathers won. "I would send a special word of greeting to the armies of the Empire, to those come from afar and, in particular, to the British Expeditionary Force. Their task is hard and they are waiting. Waiting is a trial of nerve and discipline, but I know that at the moment of action, they will prove themselves worthy of the traditions of their great service.

### FAMILY OF NATIONS

"To all preparing themselves to serve the country on sea, land or

in the air, I send my greetings. Men and women of our far-flung Empire, working in their several vocations with one same purpose, all are members of the great family of nations which is prepared to sacrifice everything that freedom of spirit may be saved to the world. "Such is the Empire of the great Dominions, India and every Colony, large and small. From all alike have come offers of help, for which the Mother Country can never be sufficiently grateful.

"Such unity in aim and effort has never been seen in the world before. I believe from my heart that the cause which binds together my peoples and our gallant and faithful Allies is the cause of Christian civilisation. On no other basis can true civilisation be built.

"Let us remember this through the dark times ahead and when we are making peace for which all men pray.

### THE NEW YEAR

"The New Year is at hand and we cannot tell what it will bring. If it brings peace, how thankful we shall be. If it brings continued struggle, we shall remain undaunted.

"Meanwhile, I feel we may all find a message of encouragement in the line: I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, give me light that I may tread safely into the unknown, and he replied: "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light."

"May that almighty hand guide and uphold us all."

### GOOD RECEPTION

Messages from many parts of the world report excellent reception of the King's broadcast. For example Melbourne stated that the reception was good throughout. Hongkong reported reception as one-hundred per cent. and Aston Island as excellent.

### GOODWILL MESSAGE

British Wireless adds that His Majesty said it had not been possible for him to send a Christmas Card to each member of the British Merchant Navy and Fishing Fleet as he had done to members of the fighting forces, because our ships are so widely scattered over the seven seas. "Instead, I send to each one of you his personal Christmas message of goodwill and good cheer. You are facing special perils, which in these days surround seamen, with coolness, courage and fortitude which are the admiration of all at home and I speak not only for myself, but for all your fellow countrymen when I wish you a Happy Christmas."

## JUNK CHENG HO SETS SAIL FOR MANILA ON EXPEDITION

The beautifully constructed junk Cheng Ho, built at Ah King's slipway, Causeway Bay, sailed for Manila yesterday at 12.30 p.m.

At noon friends and interested members of the public boarded the junk where it was moored to bid goodbye to the nine European crew members and to take camera studies of the craft. Half-an-hour later the Cheng Ho started down the bay.

Capt. Jack Fant, from Jardine Matheson & Co., was at the wheel. Mr. T. Killikenny, sen. constructor and generally in charge of the expedition answered last minute questions and proceeded with a final check of his craft. His nephew, Mr. Fenton Killikenny, took on seaman's duties. Mr. Magruder, a United States Navy Junior, answered a popular farewell given as the Cheng Ho passed the U.S.S. Asheville and U.S.S. Mindanao in harbour.

The Dutchman, Mr. D. Hubrecht, en route to Java, issued orders to the ten Chinese members of the crew. Mr. N. S. Torrey, engineer,

was busy with his motors below deck. Mr. J. H. Peterson, Skipper of the former Pang Jin, supervised the hoisting of sails.

### FINAL FAREWELL

The junk travelled with her crew, friends and newspaper reporters aboard and at 3 p.m. the final burst of firecrackers from accompanying launches and craft bade the expedition "bon voyage" as they sailed away.

The crew expect to reach Manila in time to celebrate the New Year and at the Philippine port Mr. Peterson will disembark to return to Hongkong by Pan American Airways Clipper.

Dr. David Fairchild, the well known American botanist, Mrs. Fairchild, Mrs. Anne Archbold and Dr. H. Beckwith will join the expedition in the south for the cruise to the Spice Islands. The tour will end at New York in about two years' time.

Mrs. Archbold, who is now in

## CONTRASTS IN CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCASTS

PARIS, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—"We shall not take the initiative in inflicting new sufferings to those which 'already prevail,'" declared M. Daladier, the French Premier, in a Christmas broadcast to the French Nation. "We shall return each blow."

"For more than one hundred years Germany has fought her wars on other peoples' territory. This time we shall keep an exact account of all her crimes. We are fighting not against other peoples, but against war itself."

### DETERMINATION NEEDED

M. Daladier reminded his listeners of the victims of aggression. "May all peoples understand that they cannot prevent aggression by trembling before an aggressor, but by putting up a barrage of courage and determination. We Frenchmen have already made up our minds. We are determined to fight this dreadful tyranny to the end."

"We are fighting for the future of France and the future of the entire world and all the more can we be courageous, since we know we are stronger and more determined."

### FRENCH UNITY

Concluding, M. Daladier addressed the French fighting forces. "I was one of you twenty years ago. I have not forgotten it. You are united in your great task and I want to assure each of you that I understand you. For my part, I also am doing my duty. While you defend our country, we make it secure."

## NAZI LEADERS EXTOL HITLER

BERLIN, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Herr Rudolf Hess, in a Christmas message broadcast from on board a destroyer to Germans throughout the world, referred to the love of the German nation for the Fuehrer whom he described as "the first soldier of Germany."

"The more we surround him with our love, the greater is the hatred of the others towards us, for they know our love for our leader is the strength of the nation," he declared.

### CAUSE OF WAR

Herr Hess attributed the cause of the war to "the envy borne towards industrious Germans." The Allies' war aims, Herr Hess said, were the destruction of the German race.

### SUPREME FUEHRER

Gen. von Brauchitsch, Nazi Commander-in-Chief, addressing the soldiers in the Siegfried Line, also asserted that the British and French war aims were to destroy, dismember and annihilate the German nation and culture.

He said: "We are especially united today in thinking of the Fuehrer. He is also spending this evening at the front among his soldiers."

"We greet him as the supreme commander, the first soldier and the creator of greater Germany."

## CHRISTMAS DAY AIR RAIDS OVER MANY TOWNS IN FINLAND

### Heavy Fighting Reported On All Fronts

HELSINKI, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Helsinki spent an anxious Christmas Day and the inhabitants stayed in air raid shelters for hours as alarm after alarm was sounded.

The first siren went shortly after ten o'clock in the morning and was followed by repeated alarms throughout the day.

Red planes apparently only succeeded in reaching the suburbs of the capital and no bombs were dropped.

It is reported, however, that Viborg was raided.

HELSINKI, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Hundreds of Soviet planes flew over Finland and dropped bombs in several places.

Helsinki had two alarms, but it is not yet known whether bombs were dropped in the city and the neighbourhood, or merely leaflets.

### MORE RAIDS

HELSINKI, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—In yesterday's air raids the town of Porvoo, on the coast of the Gulf of Finland, was bombed and nine civilians killed. An unsuccessful attempt was made to bomb Helsinki airport.

It is reported that at least ten enemy planes were brought down, one crashed outside Helsinki.

It is believed that thirty Soviet planes took part in raids on the capital.

### FINNISH CLAIM

HELSINKI, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—The Soviet Naval Base at Kronstadt was severely damaged by fire of the Finnish batteries in the first days of the war, says a Finnish claim.

So effective were the Finnish guns that fires were observed raging for four days afterwards. One reason why the Red cruiser Kirov was sent to Tallinn to be repaired after being hit by Finnish coastal guns was that Kronstadt was too badly damaged to deal with her.

### WAR COMMUNIQUE

HELSINKI, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—The Finnish forces north of Lake Ladoga are pressing forward brilliantly in a successful counter-attack and have now driven the Soviet Army from Finnish territory and are now fighting on Russian soil.

Hongkong, is due to leave for the south on Pan American Airways Clipper on Friday morning.

## COMPLETELY QUIET DAY

### WESTERN FRONT INACTIVITY

PARIS, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Christmas Day was completely quiet on the Western Front, action being limited to small patrols. Troops generally spent a cheery Christmas.

Herr Hitler continued his tour of the Siegfried Line posts.

### EASILY REPULSED

PARIS, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Military observers state that the last twenty-four hours on the Western Front were extremely quiet.

The Germans attempted several raids, but they lacked punch and were easily repulsed.

There were no important aerial engagements, but the French made twenty-six successful reconnaissance flights.

### WAR COMMUNIQUE

PARIS, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—A War Communique issued on Sunday stated that it was a quiet day at the front on the whole and that there was nothing to report.

### MERELY ROUTINE

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry official stated that the flight over Heligoland, mentioned in a German communique, was merely a routine patrol over the area there, so that the activity of British aircraft was not engaged and all the machines returned safely.

It is added that "We do not issue bulletins regarding such flights, which are regarded merely as a matter of routine."

A fortnight after he had been sentenced to death for the murder of his wife, Sergeant Raymond Smith, formerly stationed near Preston, was reprieved by the Home Secretary.

## CHRISTMAS DAY KILLING IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—An assassination marked Christmas Day in Shanghai.

Two supporters of Wang Ching-wei were shot near his residence in the Western extra-Settlement Area.

One of them Shen Ming-chu, was killed on the spot and the other, Ho Hang-ken, is seriously injured and is not expected to recover.

The assassins are believed to be anti-Japanese terrorists.

Finnish troops were killed and 35 taken prisoners in "serious clashes between reconnaissance units on the Karelia Isthmus" yesterday.

The communique says, otherwise nothing important occurred on this front.

### RED ARMY SITUATION

(Special To The H.K. Daily Press) BERN, Dec. 26 (Havas).—The correspondent of the Basler Nachrichten reports from Stockholm that the situation in the Soviet Army, as described by Soviet prisoners, is extremely bad. The prisoners are morose, indifferent, tired out and completely without enthusiasm. They declare that the Red Army suffers more lead through disease than the enemy's weapons.

However, the correspondent says that rumours of internal strife between Soviet leaders or a revolt among the masses are, at least, premature.

Soviet propaganda is intensified and tries to persuade the population they are facing not only Finland but the whole of western Europe.

Everything points to Russia preparing for a long campaign.

Meanwhile reports that Merezhkov, commander of the Leningrad military region, has been removed from office are unconfirmed.

It is rumoured that the move was contemplated but no officer has been found ready to take Merezhkov's duties and assume responsibilities in the Finnish campaign.

### MINOR SUCCESSES

MOSCOW, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—A Leningrad Military Command communique claims minor successes in fighting between reconnoitring units which, in some cases, developed into serious encounters.



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## Christmas Day Activity By The Navy: Two Reports Now Being Followed Up

### ADMIRAL SCHEER OFF S. AMERICA

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter).—Units of the Royal Navy were stirred into Christmas Day activity by two dramatic reports.

One report came from South America and announced that the German pocket-battleship, Admiral Scheer, had been sighted off the Colombian Coast.

The other, in the form of dramatic wireless messages from a steamer attacked, concerned the pursuit of the Elder Dempster liner by a German submarine in the vicinity of the Azores.

### SEEKING RENDEZVOUS

The Admiral Scheer report was received from missionaries in a remote region of the Colombian Coast, stating that the warship was sighted close inshore, probably just outside territorial waters. It is thought possible that she was seeking a rendezvous with a supply ship from Mexico.

The Colombian authorities sent out a vessel to investigate, but this was some hours afterwards and when the area indicated was reached, the warship had disappeared.

### PURSUED BY U-BOAT

The Elder Dempster liner, of 3,750 tons, sent out radio messages from a point north of the Azores stating that she was being pursued by a U-Boat. The last report received indicated that shell-fire had been exchanged between the merchantman and the submarine and that the pursuit was continuing.

### SHIPPING LOSSES

In the meantime, the Admiralty places British and neutral shipping losses during last week at 17,400 tons, including ten British ships, with a total tonnage of about 7,000.

German losses in the same period includes that of the 32,000-ton liner Columbus.

### ANOTHER MESSAGE

A Havas message adds that the Mackay Radio intercepted a message from the British steamer discovery stating that she was being pursued by a U-Boat and fixing her position as south-east of the Azores.

The message was suddenly interrupted.

### ASHEVILLE WIN AT DUCK PINS

An interesting encounter was seen last evening at the Hongkong Bowling Alley, when U.S.S. Asheville met U.S.S. Mindanao in a friendly 3-game duck pin match, the former winning by 193 points.

Scores:—  
U.S.S. Asheville: C. G. Cuning, 305, H. N. Levy 270, J. A. Harvey 288, W. E. Wood 191 (in two games) and M. O. Gray 82 (in one game). Total 1,126.

U.S.S. Mindanao: H. W. Seay 252, B. R. Stafford 251, T. A. Slater 219 and N. R. Philo 211. Total 933.

### POLICE ARRESTS IN STOCKHOLM

STOCKHOLM, December 26 (Havas).—The Police arrested two dangerous Communist agents in Stockholm.

During the police operations, thousands of Communist pamphlets in German were seized.

## C.S.C.C. ANNUAL SPORTS AND XMAS PARTY

The Hongkong Civil Service Club held their annual children's sports and Christmas party yesterday, when a large number of children attended.

Mrs. D. J. Valentine, wife of Dr. D. J. Valentine distributed the prizes.

Prize winners were as follows:—  
Bowls Championship—1. M. Rakusen; 2. L. A. Collyer; Singles Handicap—1. L. A. Collyer; 2. W. R. Hillier; Pairs Handicap—1. H. E. Strange and M. Rakusen; 2. E. Sheppard and A. Austin; Waggins-chaw—1. W. R. Hillier; 2. R. R. Davies and W. Buklin.

Tennis Championship—1. T. Agafroff; 2. W. J. Skinner; Singles Championship—1. W. T. Skinner; 2. Agafroff; Men's Doubles—1. Agafroff and D. Hollidge; 2. J. A. Bendall and F. Haynes. Mixed Doubles—1. Mr. and Mrs. Collyer. Cricket—Batting 1st XI—J. E. Richardson; Bowling, N. B. Whiteley. Batting 2nd XI, G. Ainslie; Bowling, C. W. Haynes.

Billiards Handicap—1. S. Eccles; 2. C. Pearce; Snooker—1. J. A. Bendall; 2. F. Austin.

### SPORTS RESULTS

Sports prize winners were:—  
Race No. 1—1. Peter Shepherd, 2. Jack Strange.

Race No. 2—1. Joyce Ebbage, 2. Leslie Collyer.

Race No. 3—1. Brian Harper, 2. Lionel Strange.

Race No. 4—1. Leslie Collyer and Marther Louis, 2. Iris Sheldon and Barbara White.

Race No. 5—1. Valentine Stuart, 2. Donald Collyer.

Race No. 6—1. Iris Sheldon, 2. Rose Marie Louis.

Race No. 7—1. Gordon Bendall, 2. Johnson Lacy.

Race No. 8—1. Crawley, 2. J. Hooper.

Race No. 9—1. Miss E. Grimmett, 2. Mrs. Ebbage.

Race No. 10—1. S. and J. Valentine, 2. L. and J. Strange.

Race No. 11—1. Marthyr Louis, 2. Jean White.

## NAVY TO MEET CLUB ON SATURDAY

### Triangular Rugby Tournament

The following is the probable Navy side to meet the Club in the Triangular Rugby Tournament game on Saturday. Players are requested to be at Causeway Bay Ground at 5 p.m. today for a scrum practice and kick about after the Navy "A" Match.

Leutenant Bax; Tel: Bowden; Tel: Paul, Pay Lieutenant Stevens, Sub-Lieut. Kennedy; Lieutenant Carter; Lieutenant Commander Clark; L. S. A. Palmer; Lieutenant (E). Brown, Ldg. Wtr. Barlow, Chief Writer King, A. B. Longmuir, Ldg. Wtr. Ferris, Pay Lieutenant Charles, L.A.C. Gale.

NAVY "A" v R.A.M.C.  
The following will play for Navy "A" versus the R.A.M.C. on the Naval Ground, Causeway Bay, today. Kick-off at 4 p.m.

Leutenant Bax; Marine Jeffries, Midshipman Teare, Writer Snell; Tel: Faulkner; Midshipman O'Brien, Stoker Gallagher; Ldg. Sig: Inglis, A. B. Jeffrey, S. B. A. Davis, P. O. Williams, A. B. Longmuir, Cpl. Marrow, A. B. Dixon, L. A. C. Gale.

RESERVES: A. B. Newburn, A. B. Owens, A. B. Wager.



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Orders By The Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner Of Police.

## CHINESE COMPANY

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

## INDIAN COMPANY

Training Course—Part I: The undermentioned members of the Indian Company will attend Central Police Station on Wednesday, December 27th at 17.15 hours sharp for Squad Drill under Sub Inspector (R) Mehdi Khan.

Constables R212 B. Singh, R224 V. Tibe, R231 A. Karim, R255 A. S. Mohammed, R257 S. Khan, R258 A. W. Kader, R267 J. Din, R272 M. Mazir, R276 I. Kripp, R277 M. Afzal, R278 Lal Singh, R287 N. L. Advani, R217 A. Hamid, R218 B. Abbas, R240 Atta Mohammed, R254 A. Haroon, R259 A. Khan, R261 M. Singh, R265 M. Ramzan, R266 Kesar Ali, R270 S. A. Ismail, R285 M. Ibrahim, R239 M. A. Hamet, R213 Mohamed Ali, R274 H. Khan, R291 K. S. Mehal, R291 A. R. Feroz, R299 Niamatullah, R701 Najab Khan, R702 Mohamed Hayat, and R703 J. J. Tellis.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

## FLYING SQUAD

Promotions: The following promotions to date from 15th December, 1939 have been approved:—Lance Sergeant R354 Lee Chan Kee to Police Sergeant, Constable R359 Ho Wing Kwan to Lance Sergeant, Constable R332 Ng Hung Kwal to Lance Sergeant, and R327 Sung Shu Chee to Lance Sergeant.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

## EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

General: With effect from the 15th instant:—

(a) Inspector (R) W. V. Field and Lance Sergeant R406 W. J. Priest have been released in order to join the H. K. R. N. V. R. and their resignations have been accepted.

(b) Sub Inspector (R) J. A. Bendall has been promoted to the rank of Inspector (R) and has been appointed Officer Commanding the Emergency Unit Reserve.

(c) The following promotions are also notified: P. S. R.404 M. A. de Sousa to Sub Inspector (R), L. S. R.405 J. C. Powers to Police Sergeant, P. C. R.402 M. M. Afanasieff to Lance Sergeant, and P. C. R.444 W. E. Dorabjee to Lance Sergeant.

Inspection: All ranks of the Emergency Unit will parade at Central Police Station on Wednesday, January 3 1940 at 17.20 hours for inspection of equipment etc., by the Company Commander. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Holders, Lanyards, Whistle and Chain. Armbands, and Truncheon to be carried.

Training: All recruits will parade at No. 2 Police Station on Friday, January 5 1940 at 17.20 hours for instruction under Inspector. (R) J. A. Bendall.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

O. EAGER,  
D. S.P. (R).

Hongkong, December 25.

The Boxing Night Fancy Dress Dance of the Royal Engineers' Old Comrades Association was held at the Peninsula Hotel last night and was largely attended.

## REIGN OF TERROR IN POLAND: 10 EXECUTIONS

## CHINA WAR NEWS

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About one thousand Japanese reinforcements in armoured cars, tanks and lorries rushing toward Paotow from Ta Ching Mountain on Dec. 21 were intercepted on the way and defeated. All the Japanese vehicles were wrecked.

## STREET FIGHTING

The Japanese casualties in street fighting at Paotow are estimated at 1,300. Japanese loss in arms and ammunition is understood to be also heavy. Four of their tanks were ingeniously destroyed by five Chinese soldiers.

After breaking through the Japanese defence lines, Chinese troops reached the outskirts of Kweisui in Suiyuan on Sunday and are engaging the Japanese there. Sixty Japanese army lorries were destroyed and 21 captured.

## CENTRAL HUPEH

FANCHENG, HUPEH, Dec. 26 (Central)—Desperate fighting for the possession of Huangchiatsi, strategic point on the Kiangshan-Chungshang highway, in Central Hupeh, is proceeding.

On the Hankow-Ichang highway, the Chinese have recaptured an important height near Yenmenkow. The have also pushed towards the neighbourhood of Yamlaotai, on the highway northwest of Tienmen. Over 200 Japanese were slain and six armoured cars destroyed.

Following a daring attack, the Chinese have recaptured the important heights of Talyangshan and Lohansing, northeast of Kiangshan.

## SOUTH HUPEH

MILO, HUNAN, Dec. 26 (Central)—Chinese troops have been attacking Sienling, Tingszekiao and Chungchwopu, towns on the Canton-Hankow Railway, in South Hupeh, seizing quantities of Japanese ammunition.

After retaking Kinnluichen, a small town 45 miles south-east of Hankow, a Chinese force has pushed to Hoshengkiao 36 miles south of Hankow, where it is besieging the Japanese.

The Japanese at Yangchiapu and Szechiapu, both west of Tungcheng, in South Hupeh, were attacked and driven away on Sunday. Chinese war booty included eight machine-guns and 120 rifles.

A Japanese counter-attack at Tashaping on the Tungcheng-Tsingyang highway on the same day was repulsed with some 300 casualties.

## TRAIN BLOWN UP

VULIN, SHENSI, Dec. 26 (Central)—A Japanese northbound train on the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway loaded with shells, gasoline and provisions was blown up by Chinese mines near Kushan, north Shansi, at 8.05 p.m. on Dec. 17. The resultant damage is understood to be heavy.

## IN SINYANG

NANYANG, HONAN, Dec. 26 (Central)—Close-quarter fighting is now raging inside Sinyang city on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in South Honan.

The Chinese smashed into the town last Friday night through the east gate. Japanese supply depots were set afire.

Other Chinese units have attacked and recaptured Tungkuang, south of Changchikwan, 14 miles north of Sinyang. Communications between Sinyang and Changchikwan are now severed.

## LICHENG RECAPTURED

SHAN, Dec. 26 (Central)—Chinese forces in South-East Shansi launched an offensive on Licheng, near the North Honan border, and recaptured it on Dec. 23. The Japanese retreated in the direction of Tungyangkwan and Lucheng, in the southeast.

In pursuit of the enemy, the Chinese have reached Tungyangkwan.

On the Changtse sector, the Chinese are continuing their "mopping up" operations.

The Chinese in the Chungtiao mountain range in south Shansi launched another offensive a few days ago, recapturing more points, including Wutson and Szechistam. The Japanese are alleged to have used gas to cover their retreat.

## FIERCE BATTLE

LOYANG, Dec. 26 (Central)—Under a heavy artillery barrage, a Japanese force launched an attack on Chungmow, 20 miles south-west of Ksieng, in Honan, last Saturday. The Chinese withdrew for strategical reasons. Later, however, with the arrival of reinforcements they counter-attacked and dispersed the invaders.

## SOUTH HUPEH

SOMEWHERE IN SOUTH HUPEH, Dec. 26 (Central)—Fighting has

## REIGN OF TERROR IN POLAND: 10 EXECUTIONS A DAY IN WARSAW

Special to the H.K. Daily Press

BUCHAREST, Dec. 26 (Havas)—An absolutely reliable source reports that the Germans have instituted a reign of terror throughout Poland, while the Poles are opposing with passive resistance.

On an average, ten Poles are being shot a day without judgment in Warsaw only.

## ALLEGED CRIMES

Crimes punishable with death without trial are rebellion, incitement to rebellion, possession of arms, insult to the Swastika, distribution of subversive pamphlets and defacing official posters.

Meanwhile, all German attempts to foster a pseudo-Polish regime have failed, as even those known as pro-Germans refuse to co-operate.

The population's attitude is apparent in Warsaw, where all customers leave a cafe as soon as a German enters.

## JAPANESE AIR RAIDS

ON THE KWANGSI FRONT, Dec. 26 (Central)—There was considerable Japanese aerial activity behind Chinese lines in Kwangsi yesterday.

Hostile machines flew to the Chinese rear in relays either to stage bombings or to send supplies to isolate Japanese units. Over twenty bags of biscuits dropped down at Chutung on the Nanning-Pinyang highway were picked by the Chinese.

## OVER CHIHKIANG

YUANLING, HUNAN, Dec. 26 (Central)—Twenty-seven Japanese aircraft flying from Kwangsi, dropped several bombs at Chihkiang in west Hunan, yesterday. They were driven away by intense Chinese ground fire.

## PUPPET OFFICIALS ARRESTED

SHIUKWAN, Dec. 26 (Central)—

The Kwangtung Provincial Government has given pecuniary rewards to the Chinese troops responsible for the arrest of Wong Kia-ping, member of the bogus peace maintenance committee of the Third County of Punyu District, and Yip Chan, Yeung Chun-kam and Sheung Wei-nam, respectively chairmen of the bogus peace maintenance committees at Lungwueung, Yeungwochuen and Talukheung.

## Mongolian - Tibetan Commission

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (Reuter)

Gen. Wu Chung-hsiu, Chairman of the Mongolian-Tibetan Affairs Commission is due to arrive at Lhasa, in Tibet, on New Year's Day, according to the latest information reaching Chungking from Tibet, having arrived at Darjeeling on Dec. 8.

## GERMAN RAIDS REPULSED

PARIS, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—"East of the Moselle two enemy raids have been repulsed by our fire," states a war communique issued today.

been in progress near Chaohtsen and Kaoyi on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Hopei. The Japanese have lost more than 100 and several motor lorries.

## POISON GAS

LINCHUEN, KIANGSI, Dec. 26 (Central)—Poison gas is alleged to have been used by the Japanese in an attempt to halt the Chinese advance on Nanchang.

Tingnan, 30 miles north-west of Nanchang, was taken back by the Chinese on Dec. 22. The Japanese barracks and supply depot were set afire and several hundred Japanese were killed in action.

The Japanese at Fenghsin 23 miles west of Nanchang counter-attacked at Tingnan but failed to dislodge the Chinese.

Chinese guerrillas have done further damage to the railway and highway between Nanchang and Kiukiang. All highways and telephone lines southeast of Nanchang have also been damaged.

## CRICKET

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Capt. J. F. Lawrence, b. McEllan 9  
Major J. E. Swyer, b. McEllan 10  
Extras ..... 22

Total 208

## BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
McEllan	17	2	76	7
Perry	10	1	39	—
T. A. Pearce	6	—	42	1
J. L. C. Pearce	7	—	29	2

## CRAIGENGOWER AND I.R.C. MATCHES

The Benedicts beat the Bachelors by 88 runs at the annual cricket match at Craigenower Cricket Club yesterday. At Soekunpoo on Christmas Day, the Bachelors of the Indian Recreation Club beat the Benedicts by 39 runs.

The Craigenower result was as follows: Married, 189 for 5 wickets, decl. (A. R. H. Esmail 55, W. Hong Sling 22, T. Lock 22, H. P. Lim 58 not out), Single 113 (G. Winch 28, W. K. Way 3 for 14).

The I.R.C. result: Bachelors 213 (A. R. Minu 74, A. R. Sufflad 52, K. Nazarin 31, S. A. Ismail 3 for 13), Benedicts 174 (C. Shipp 63, M. 1-Razack 31, A. R. Minu 4 for 62).

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday of Mr. Eca da Silva, who died at the age of 62 at the Kowloon Hospital on Christmas morning. There was a large number of relatives and friends present and many floral tributes were sent.

His many friends, in the Colony will be sorry to learn that Mr. P. M. Hodgson is a patient in the War Memorial Hospital. Yesterday he was reported to be a little better.

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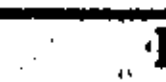
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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

PETROL FAMINE  
FACES REICHU.S. Statistics Show  
Her Isolation

Germany's grave shortage of petrol and the difficulty she is experiencing in obtaining further supplies are emphasised by the Washington correspondent of the New York Times. He suggests that they may account for the Nazi failure to attempt mass air raids on Britain and France or attack the Maginot Line.

"In the opinion of American naval and military experts," he writes, "the oil situation, and especially the Reich's reserve of fuel oil, is the most serious problem facing the Hitler Government today."

"Export data in the Department of Commerce appears to substantiate this opinion. Official statistics from United States reports, which are considered reliable, all indicate that Germany is completely isolated from the great oil markets of the world."

"So grave is the situation that Germany is making frantic efforts to develop synthetic gasoline plants, which, it is hoped, may be in partial operation by the middle of 1940."

"Any hopes that the Germans might have of getting appreciable quantities of oil from Russian fields have been dispelled, according to official information, by the fact that Russia is having a hard time producing enough for her own needs."

BETS SYSTEM  
CRITICISED"£100 Sheer Profit  
A Month"

A betting system by which "£100 a month sheer profit" was promised, was mentioned at Marylebone County Court recently.

Judge Sturges entered judgment for £100 and costs in favour of Mr. George Mariano Lupistaca Conception, a former jockey and trainer of Lent Rise, Burnham, Bucks. Mr. Conception claimed £100 damages for alleged fraud against Mr. Harold Johnson, trading as J. Gower Cavendish, of Edgewood-road, N.W., described as a "banking, finance and investment expert."

Mr. Leonard Caplan, for the plaintiff, said that a "get-rich-quick" scheme was explained in a pamphlet, stating: "The following pages will show you how I have accumulated wealth and secured my future, and how you may just as easily do the same... £100 per month can be won easily even if your investments are only small ones."

The system, which was said to have been evolved "after many years of exhaustive research," consisted of betting on first and second favourites from April to October.

## FORFEITURE RULE

Mr. Caplan said that as soon as a client won £50 he was to send Mr. Johnson £10 for the use of the system. Mr. Johnson also offered to do the backing for clients, who were to send him £5 in the pound commission before they received their winnings.

When a speculator sent the commission he expected to receive his winnings, but on a careful reading of the rules it might be possible for Mr. Johnson to say that he was entitled to hold on to the winnings until the end of six weeks.

"Under the rules," continued Mr. Caplan, "he can say that you forfeit all you have sent him if you do not pay these losses before receiving the winnings. He is seeking to lead people into a default so that he can exercise his forfeiture rule."

Mr. Conception, who told the court that he had been a racing man for 52 years, was asked by Mr. A. Pocock, defending: "Then, you know there is no such thing as an infallible system?"

"Nothing is infallible," he replied, "but a system can work nicely. I have known some good systems."

A stay of execution pending appeal was granted.

Distribution has begun in some centres in Britain of coloured gas masks for children of 2½ to 4 years. The masks are in a variety of pastel shades, which the authorities think will make them seem less forbidding to children.

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## COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE &amp; CO.)

SINGAPORE RUBBER			
New York, Dec. 23, 1939.			
Previous close December 23			
	Buyers	Opening	Closing
S P O T			
JAN-MARCH	38-1/2		
APRIL-JUNE	38-3/8		CLOSED
The market was quiet.			
LONDON RUBBER		Previous close	Today's close
	buyer	buyer	Change
S P O T			
JAN-MARCH	11-5/8		
APRIL-JUNE	11-5/8		CLOSED

NEW YORK COTTON: Market closed.

CHICAGO: A forecast of moisture in the dry section over the week-end had a depressing effect on the market. Report that with the result of the recent drought deterioration in the West and South-West has been further increasing were ignored today. The mill markets were ease with no exports reported.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Market closed.

CHICAGO CORN: The cold weather in the West, unfavourable weather in the Argentine and small country offerings were all helpful factors. Good domestic demand reflects the strength of cash corn.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 149.59; Today's close, 149.85; Change up .26.

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson &amp; Fritz and S. E. Levy &amp; Company)

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.			10.75	closed
New York Rubber, Mar.			19.10	closed
Chicago Wheat, May	102½	101½	102½	2 off
Chicago Corn, May	57½	57½	57½	1 off
New York Hides, Mar.			15.08	closed
NEW YORK COTTON		Opening	Closing	Change
January			10.93/93	
March			10.75/75	
May			10.40/41	
July			10.04/04	
July (New contract)			10.24 N	
October			9.54/54	CLOSED
December			9.47/47	
Spot			11.15 N	
Volume (in contract of 100 bales each)				

Note: January cotton, first notice day:—26/12/39 last notice day:—17/1/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER			
December			
20.64/64			
March			
19.10/10			
May			
18.85/85			
July			
18.65/65			
September			
18.43b/45a			

Note: December rubber, last notice day:—27/12/39.

CHICAGO WHEAT			
May			
103½/103½			
July			
100½/100½			
September			
99½/99½			

Friday's sales:—37,032,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN			
May			
57½/57½			
July			
58/58			
September			
58½/58½			

WINNIPEG WHEAT			
December			
83½/83½			
May			
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July			
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## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

Dec. 24, 1939.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express	8½	Lukey Foundry & Mac	4
Allegheny Steel Co.	21½	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	51½
Allied Stores	9	Lockhead Aircraft	30
Allis Chalmers	39½	Loew's Inc.	36½
Aluminum Ltd.	96	Mack Truck Inc.	25½
Amerada Corp.		Manhattan Shirt Co.	
Amer. Can.	113	Martin, Glen L.	30½
American Cyanamid B	33½	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	
Amer. & Foreign Power	1½	Montsanto Chemical	107
Amer. & Foreign Pwr	1½	Montgomery Ward	54½
Amer. Gas & Elec	37½	National Aviation	13
Amer. Locomotive	20½	Nat. Dairy Products	18½
Amer. Metals Co.	23	Nat. Distillers	24
Amer. Radiator	9½	National Gypsum	11½
Amer. Rolling Mill	16½	National Lead	20
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	51½	Nat. Power & Light	8½
Amer. Sugar Refining	20½	National Steel Corp.	69½
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	170	Nat. Supply Corp.	8½
Amer. Tobacco "B"	84½	New York Central	18½
Amer. Waterworks	11	Niagara Hudson Power	5½
Anaconda Copper	30½	N. American Aviation	25½
Atlas, T. & S. Fe.	24½	North American Co.	22½
Auburn Motors	2½	Northern Pacific	8½
Baltimore & Ohio	5½	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	82½
Barber Asphalt Co.	14½	Pacific Gas & Elec.	33½
Barnsdall Oil	12½	Pacific Lighting	48½
Bendix Aviation	30	Packard Motors	3½
Bethlehem Steel	82	Paramount Pictures	7½
Bliss & Co.	13½	Pennsylvania R.R.	23½
Boeing Airplane Co.	22½	Phelps-Dodge	41½
Borg-Warner	24½	Phillips Petroleum	40½
Biggs Manufacturing	21½	Pittsburg Coke & Iron	7½
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	14	Public Service of N.J.	40½
Brooklyn-Manhattan S	48½	Pulman Inc.	31½
Canadian Pacific R'way.	4½	Pure Oil	8½
Case J. I.	70	Radio Corp. of Am.	54
Celanese	29½	Reading Company, Com.	15½
Chesapeake & Ohio	39½	Reading Company, 1st pfd.	25½
Chrysler Corp.	89½	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	43
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	39½	Republic Aviation Corp.	5½
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	81	Republic Steel	23½
Columbia Gas & El.	6	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	13½
Columbia 6% "A" pt.	84½	Reynold Tobac "B"	37½
Commercial Credit Co.	45½	Richfield Oil	7½
Com. & Southern (ord)	1½	Safeway Stores	46½
Consolidated Edison	30	Schenley Distillers	12½
Consolidated Oil	7½	Schenley Distillers 5½ pfd.	
Continental Can	42½	Sears Roebuck	12½
Continental Oil	23½	Shell Union Oil	11½
Copperweld Steel	16	Socony-Vacuum Oil	14½
Corn Products	63	Southern Pacific	33½
Curtiss Wright (C.)	102	Southern Ry 5½ pfd.	45½
Curtiss Wright "A"	28½	Sperry	33½
Deere & Co.	23½	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	5½
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19½	Standard Brands	2
Douglas Aircraft	81½	Stand Gas & Elec.	2
Du Pont de Nemours	179	Standard Oil of California	25½
Eagle Picher Lead	11½	Standard Oil of N.J.	44½
Eaton Mfg. Co.	29½	Stone & Webster	11½
Elec. Autolite	37½	Studebaker Com.	9½
Elec. Bond & Share	7½	Swift International	32
Elec. Bond & Share 5½ pt.	58½	Technicolor	12½
Elec. Bond & Share 8½ pt.	87½	Texas Corp.	44
Elec. Power & Light 7½ pt.	31	Texas Gulf Sulphur	32½
Flintkote	19½	Trans-America Co.	8½
Gen. American Trans.	55	20th Cent. Fox 1½ pt.	12½
Gen. Electric	40½	20th Cent. Fox 3½ pt.	23½
Gen. Motors	54½	Union Carbide & Carbon	87½
Gen. Railway Signal	18½	Union Pacific	94½
Gen. Tire & Rubber	22	United Aircraft	47½
Glidden Co.	17	United Airlines Trans.	15½
Goodrich (B.F.)	19½	United Corp.	2½
Goodrich 5½ pt.	65½	United Corp. 3½ cum pt.	38½
Goodyear Tire & Co.	23½	United Gas Corp.	1½
Great Northern Iron Ore	17½	United Gas Improvement	14½
Great Northern Ry. pfd.	26½	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	24½
Great Western Sugar	28½	U.S. Rubber	40½
Greyhound Corp.	16½	U.S. Rubber 8½ pfd.	112½
Guaymas Powder Co.	89	U.S. Steel	67½
Homestake Mining	50½	Vanadium	33½
International Harvester	61	Walworth Co.	5½
Int. Nickel	37½	Warner Bros. Pict.	33
Int. Tel. & Tel.	44	Westinghouse Elec.	118½
Johns-Manville	75½	Woodward Iron Cor.	23½
J. & Laughlin Steel 7½ pfd.	63	Chase National Bank	35½
Kennecott Copper	38½	National City Bank	27½

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## DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939	High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	Dec. 22	High	Low	Close	Change
	155.92	151.41	30 Industrials	149.69	150.04	149.40	149.85	28 up
	35.90	34.14	30 Rails	31.44	31.62	31.48	31.58	14 up
	27.07	26.70	30 Utilities	24.85	25.00	24.84	24.91	04 off
	22.22	24.51	40 Bonds	89.21			89.19	02 off
	64.87	45.69	11 Commodity Index	63.10			63.10	43 up

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## SUBMARINE CREW HONOURED

LONDON, Dec. 26 (Reuter)—An Admiralty communiqué announces that the D.S.O. has been conferred on Lieut-Commander Phillips, of the submarine Ursula, which recently destroyed an enemy cruiser off Helligoland.

He is also promoted Commander from Dec. 22.

Other decorations and promotions for the officers and men of the Ursula were also made and all were congratulated upon their great success.

## FRANCO - SPANISH RAILWAY TRAFFIC

MADRID, Dec. 26 (Havas)—It is officially announced that traffic on all railway lines linking France and Spain will re-established on Jan. 1.

Major-General Carton de Wiart, V.C., has been given "a special appointment." It was announced in a supplement to the "London Gazette." The appointment is listed under military commands. General de Wiart made his home in Poland after the last war and was head of the British Military Mission to the Polish Army when the German attack was launched last September.

Eight Cingalese who came to Britain for the Empire Exhibition, Glasgow, applied for public assistance as soon as the exhibition closed. They had been selling charms "guaranteed to protect the owners from all forms of ill-luck and hardship."

## WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Dec. 26.

Barometer, (at sea level), 30.34 ins.

Temperature, 61.

Humidity, 49 per cent.

Wind Direction, ENE.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.

Temperature, maximum yesterday

67 F.

Temperature, minimum last night

53 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs., ending 10 a.m.

today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st

25.70 ins.

Against an average of, 24.6 ins.

Sunset tonight, 5.46 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7.01 a.m.

4 p.m., December 26.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.24 ins.

Temperature, 63 F.

Humidity, 51 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/8.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 68 F.

Minimum temperature, 53 F.

Rainfall, nil.

## HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 27 Dec. 1939 to 2 Jan. 1940

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height ft. in.	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height ft. in.
Wed.	27	10.35	4.9	04.12	0.5
		21.30	8.5	14.58	3.3
Thur.	28	11.22	4.9	04.53	0.4
		22.17	8.4	15.41	3.3
Fri.	29	12.08	5.0	05.35	0.4
		23.04	8.1	16.37	3.4
Sat.	30	12.5	5.1	06.17	0.7
		23.55	7.6	17.17	3.4
Sun.	31	13.47	5.3	07.01	1.1
		14.35	6.9	18.14	3.5
Mon.	1	00.50	6.9	07.44	1.6
		11.35	5.4	18.24	3.6
Tues.	2	01.58	5.0	08.31	2.1
		12.32	5.5	21.09	3.8

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The Rector of Kettering, the Rev. G. Holborow, tore up a heap of peace pamphlets he found in his church near the font. "They were placed there without permission. Windsor Great Forest. The car and I strongly resented it," he told a reporter.

Two cadet officers—J. G. Best and J. Wall—had to be taken to hospital after a stag had charged their car and attacked them in Windsor Great Forest. The car collided with the stag in the dark.

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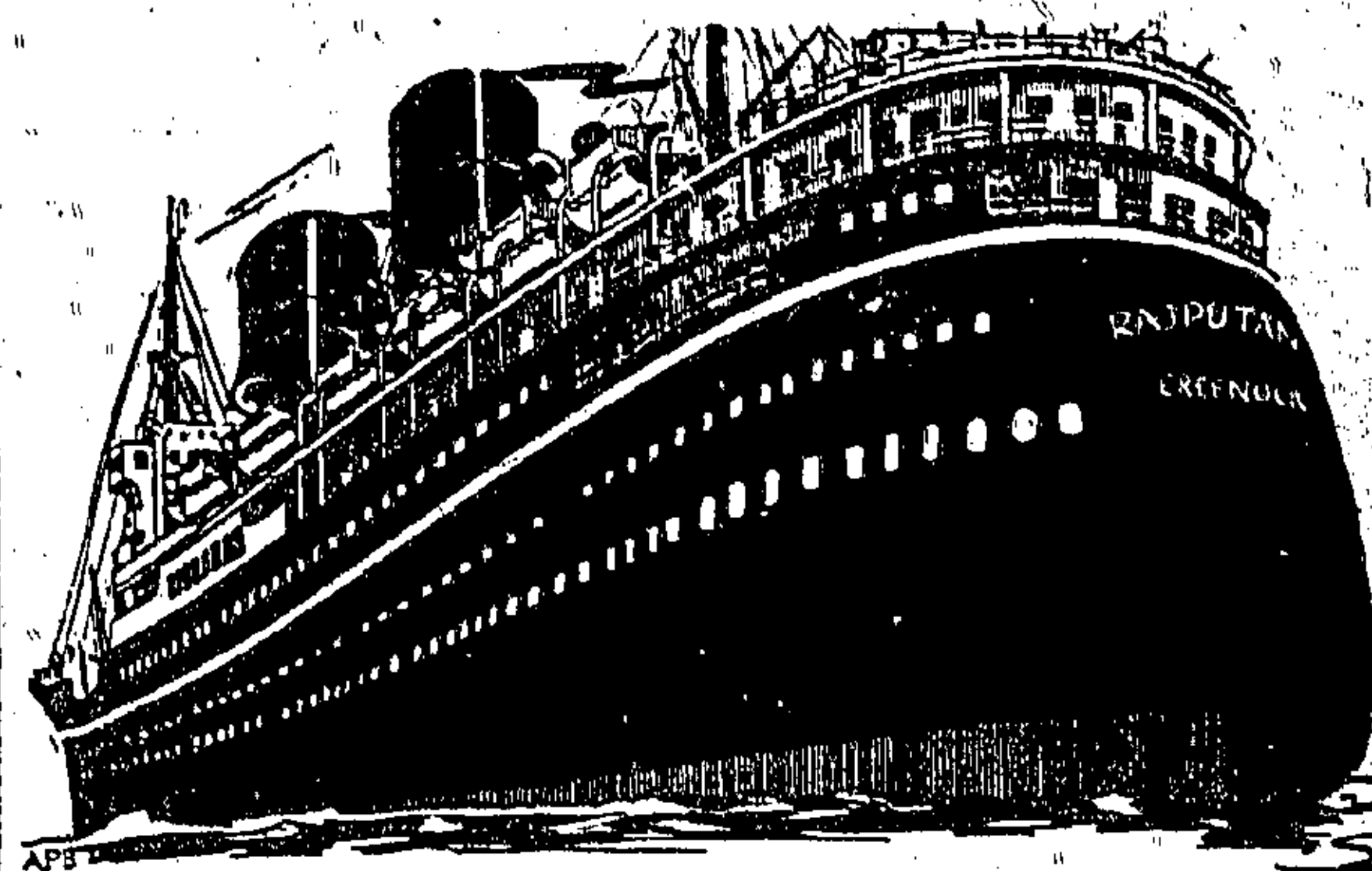
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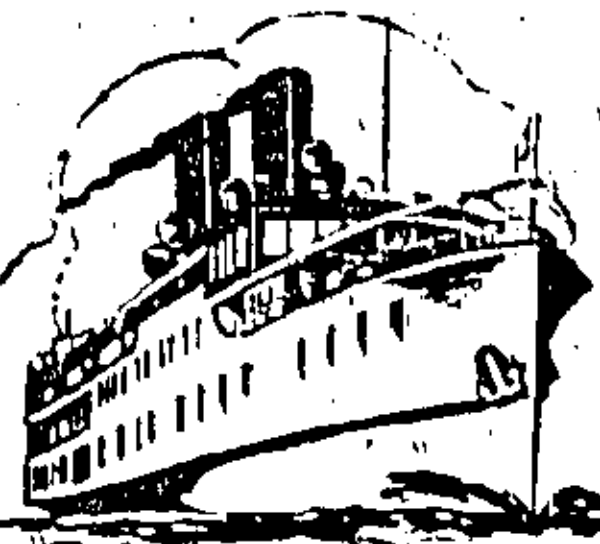
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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damage dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th December, 1939, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hong Kong, 23rd Dec., 1939.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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Consignees are specially notified that it is necessary for a Revenue Officer to be present at the examination of damaged dutiable cargo.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 11th Jan., 1940, or they will not be recognized.

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WACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hong Kong, 21st Dec., 1939.

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RECORD HOLIDAY CROWD  
AT KWANTI RACE MEETMr. T. W. Chattey And Mr.  
J. Barrow Ride Winners

IN THE DELIGHTFULLY INFORMAL ATMOSPHERE of a country meeting a record holiday crowd saw some thrilling racing at Kwanti yesterday afternoon at the Fanling Hunt and Race Club's December meeting.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote were present at the meeting.

The cash sweeps and pari-mutuel were well patronised and the excellent dividends paid are a good indication of the large amount of money in circulation on the course. The meeting was in every respect a thorough success.

There was only one mishap—if it could be called a mishap—when Iroquois refused the mile and three-quarter fence second time round and in doing so dislodged its rider Mr. Cowrie who, however, was happily unhurt and led his mount back to the stable.

A feature of the afternoon was the brilliant riding of Mr. T. W. Chattey, of the Middlesex Regiment, and Mr. J. Barrow, each of whom brought in two winners.

Mr. Barrow piloted Jack O'Lantern who paid \$56—the best win dividend of the day—and Widnes, while Mr. Chattey exhibited exceptionally smart horsemanship when he forced Sea Urchin into first place at the finish of the 14 mile Canberra Handicap. Mr. Chattey was also the rider of Palmer, winner of the last race, who paid \$40.10—the second highest dividend of the day.

## BIG SWEEP

The big sweep of the day was the Fanling Cup Sweep, the total pool of which was \$23,247.39 cents. The first prize was \$19,773.54, the second prize \$5,649.57 and the third \$2,824.78. Holders of tickets on each of the 13 unplaced starters got \$241.78 cents.

Following are the results with brief descriptions of how the horses ran:—

## RACE ONE

Mortmain, Clowner and Three Farthings led the field in that order first time past the stands when Mortmain went off the course and took no further part in the race. Clowner maintained the lead until after the last fence when Ebony Idol challenged and won by a short head in a thrilling finish. Three Farthings fell back and finished many lengths behind.

## RACE TWO

The Minx, Widnes and Emergency Call raced in that order right round. Widnes closed in after entering the straight and on passing the last fence spurred strongly and took the lead to win by a length and a half.

## RACE THREE

The field disappeared into the hollow shortly after the start. When they emerged Macquarie River and Zodiac were in front. Amber II had moved up and taken the lead into the straight but in the home run Dick Turpin came up strongly to take first place, beating Amber II by half a length, while Schmetterling ousted Macquarie River and Zodiac for third place.

## RACE FOUR

The field went off in line. Glorious Star soon took the lead followed by Sea Urchin, Kiola and Spectrum and they passed the stands into the back stretch in this order. Iroquois refused the mile and three-quarter jump and unseated its rider Mr. Cowrie. Bingo was at this stage more than a furlong behind the rest and eventually finished last. National Unity ran off the track.

Glorious Star and Sea Urchin lead the field into the home straight and in the home run Mr. Chattey, by a brilliant bit of horsemanship, brought Sea Urchin in front and went on to win easily while Glorious Star managed to keep Spectrum out of second place by a good four lengths. Kiola weakened and finished an unimpressive fourth.

## RACE FIVE

The field was bunched most of the way. Jack O'Lantern eventually forged ahead and maintained the lead to the end. Estover, who was second most of the way gave way to Golden Cow in the home run, the latter coming up strongly a length behind the winner.

## RACE SIX

This race was run in falling light. Palmer appeared to be the lead at the home bend and although Haddon made a strong challenge the former managed to win by a short head while Gallant Marshall was a close third.

Race 1—The Talpo Handicap—  
Steeplechase of 14 Miles for  
China Ponies.

Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin's Ebony Idol, 168 lbs. (Mr. Gilbertson) 1  
Mr. J. G. Whitaker's Clowner, 176 lbs. (Mr. Whitaker) 2  
Mr. W. A. Ingram's Three Farthings, 152 lbs. (Mr. Ingram) 3  
Won by a short head, many lengths between second and third. Time: 3.0.

Pari Mutuel:—  
Winner: \$10.80.  
Places: \$5.80, \$6.90.

Also ran:—Mortmain (Mr. S. V. Bird).

Betting	Win.	Place.
Clowner	214	100
Ebony Idol	280	115
Mortmain	38	23
Three Farthings	157	91
Total	689	329

Race 2—The Jorrook's Plate—14  
Miles hurdles for China Ponies,  
bona fide hunters. Catch-  
weight 168 lbs.

Mr. J. Barrow's Widnes, 168 lbs. (Mr. Barrow) 1  
Mr. A. H. R. Butcher's The Minx, 158 lbs. (Mr. Butcher) 2  
Mr. K. O. R. Emergency Call, 158 lbs. (Mr. G. W. Hook) 3  
Won by one-and-a-half lengths, two lengths between second and third. Time: 3.15.

Pari Mutuel:—  
Winner: \$31.60.  
Places: \$9.80, \$7.80.

Also ran:—Seventeen of September (Mr. Skipworth).

Betting	Win.	Place.
Emergency Call	400	208
Seventeen of September	29	42
The Minx	325	168
Widnes	122	98
Total	876	516

Race 3—Hobart Handicap—7 fur-  
longs—Flat Race for Class "C"  
Australia Ponies.

Mr. Billy's Dick Turpin, 140 lbs. (Mr. Poy) 1  
M. Highlight's Amber II, 157 lbs. (Mr. Yuen) 2  
Mr. J. B. Harrison's Schmetterling, 138 lbs. (Mr. Cowrie) 3  
Won by half length, half length between second and third. Time: 1.38.2.

Pari Mutuel:—  
Winner: \$23.20.  
Places: \$8.10, \$6.80, \$10.20.

Also ran:—Heinz (Mr. Chu Kal-fan); Macquarie River (Mr. P. P. Botelho) and Zodiac (Mr. Hoo).

Betting	Win.	Place.
Amber II	472	323
Dick Turpin	260	195
Heinz	132	138
Macquarie River	430	303
Schmetterling	33	43
Zodiac	44	50
Total	1,371	1,052

Race 4—Canberra Handicap—14  
Miles Steeplechase for Australia  
Ponies.

Major H. H. M. Oliver's Sea Urchin, 152 lbs. (Mr. T. W. Chattey) 1  
Mr. M. M. Watson's Glorious Star, 152 lbs. (Mr. G. W. Hook) 2  
Mr. B. A. Fergus' Spectrum, 169 lbs. (Mr. B. A. Fergus) 3  
Won by many lengths, four lengths between second and third. Time: 3.10.

Pari Mutuel:—  
Winner: \$17.10.  
Places: \$6.80, \$6.30, \$3.10.

Also ran:—Bingo (Mr. Skipworth); Iroquois (Mr. Cowrie); Kiola (Mr. Eyre); National Unity (Mr. Jeffrey).

Betting	Win.	Place.
Bingo	30	46
Glorious Star	392	322
Iroquois	76	97
Kiola	110	134
Nat. Unity	146	111
Sea Urchin	318	281
Spectrum	159	139
Total	1,229	1,110

## CASH SWEEPS

## RACE 1

No. 755 ..... \$ 658.00  
" 1047 ..... 187.44  
" 728 ..... 93.72  
Unplaced Ticket No. 1,032 gets \$25.

## RACE 2

No. 506 ..... \$ 1,206.69  
" 95 ..... 344.77  
" 1042 ..... 172.38  
Unplaced Ticket No. 157 gets \$50.

## RACE 3

No. 432 ..... \$ 1,331.40  
" 974 ..... 380.40  
" 254 ..... 190.20  
Unplaced Tickets Nos. 138, 373 and 1,102 get \$50 each.

## RACE 4

No. 544 ..... \$ 1,259.80  
" 851 ..... 382.80  
" 45 ..... 181.40  
Unplaced Tickets Nos. 1178, 495, 1108, 1275 get \$50 each.

## RACE 5

No. 30206 ..... \$19,773.54  
" 9536 ..... 5,649.57  
" 15705 ..... 2,824.78  
Unplaced Tickets Nos. 23026, 11645, 9570, 38489, 18158, 37838, 31872, 24390, 34843, 29416, 3299, 5887, 10778 get \$241.43 each.

## RACE 6

No. 1287 ..... \$ 1,337.28  
" 713 ..... 382.08  
" 505 ..... 191.04  
Unplaced Tickets Nos. 919, 282, 135, 635, 1167, 1247, 288, 391, get \$50 each.

Race 5—Fanling Cup—Handicap  
Flat Race for China Ponies  
"D" Class.

Mr. J. Barrow's Jack O'Lantern, 145 lbs. (Mr. J. Barrow) 1  
Mr. Fan's Golden Cow, 155 lbs. (Mr. Chin) 2  
Mrs. Stanton's Estover, 155 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 3  
Won by one length, one length between second and third. Time: 1.51.3.

Pari Mutuel:—  
Winner: \$56.00.  
Places: \$8.80, \$6.50, \$7.10.

Also ran:—Arabian Cat (Mr. Hoo); Fel Ying (Mr. Yuen); National Liberty (Mr. Hoo Pak-ming); Popular Star (Mr. Chattey); The Tigress (Mr. S. C. Liang) and Tribute (Mr. Crossthwaite).

Betting	Win.	Place.
Arabian Cat	25	45
Estover	383	273
Fel Ying	262	196
Golden Cow	573	378
Jack O'Lantern	128	147
National Liberty	46	65
Popular Star	25	25
The Tigress	153	111
Tribute	32	45
Total	1,627	1,235

Race 6—Happy Valley Handicap—  
5 Furlongs—Flat Race for  
China Ponies Class "E".

Miss Fearson's Palmer, 164 lbs. (Mr. T. W. Chattey) 1  
Mr. Bird's Heddon, 161 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 2  
Mr. C. & L's Gallant Marshall, 158 lbs. (Mr. Yuen) 3  
Won by a short-head, the same between second and third. Time: 1.17.2.

Pari Mutuel:—  
Winner: \$40.10.  
Places: \$9.50, \$7.10, \$10.90.

Also ran:—Diogenes (Mr. L. B. Chao); Dow Jones (Mr. S. C. Liang); Heriot (Mr. Parry); High Tower (Mr. Ho Pak-ching); King's Envoy (Mr. R. K. C. Chin); March Brown (Mr. Butcher); New Bedford (Mr. Z. A. Sequeira); Old Fashioned (Mr. Chin Kai-fan).

Betting	Win.	Place.
Diogenes	352	141
Dow Jones	97	70
Gallant Marshall	105	102
Heddon	502	290
Heriot	101	63
High Tower	25	12
King's Envoy	28	24
March Brown	119	118
New Bedford	40	32
Old Fashioned	9	13
Palmer	170	732
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MAIL PLANE  
CRASH IN THE  
MOUNTAINS

CASABLANCA, Dec. 26 (Havas)—The mail plane inaugurating the Italy-South America air line, crashed in the mountains of Pazar, east of Casablanca.

Natives discovered the wrecked machine with four charred bodies.

No details are available and Italian and French officials left for the spot, which in the extremely difficult mountain region.

## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 27th DECEMBER, 1939, 9.30 A.M.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

## INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Straits.	27th Dec.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date 20th December.	27th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai.	27th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai.	27th Dec.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 19th December.	28th Dec.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 20th Dec.	28th Dec.
Japan.	28th Dec.
Haliphong.	28th Dec.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 3rd December).	28th Dec.
Shanghai.	28th Dec.
Straits.	29th Dec.
Shanghai.	29th Dec.
Sandakan.	29th Dec.
Shanghai.	29th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai.	30th Dec.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 23rd December.	31st Dec.
Shanghai and Amoy.	31st Dec.
Straits and Saigon.	31st Dec.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa.	31st Dec.
Japan.	31st Dec.
London and Straits.	31st Dec.
Haliphong and Holhow.	1st Jan.
U. S. A. & Manila (San Francisco date, 9th December 1939).	3rd Jan.
Japan.	3rd Jan.
Java and Manila.	3rd Jan.
Straits and Manila.	3rd Jan.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B. C. date 18th December).	4th Jan.
Shanghai.	4th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits.	5th Jan.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 15th December 1939).	6th Jan.
Rabaul and Manila.	6th Jan.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 18th November).	7th Jan.
Shanghai.	8th Jan.

## OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY	
Haliphong	Wed. 27th 10.00 AM
Swatow and Shanghai	10.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta.	Parcels 11.00 AM
Fort Bayard	Letters Noon
Straits and Calcutta.	1.30 PM
	3.00 PM
	K.P.O.
	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 8th January.	G.P.O.
	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
	K.P.O.
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	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	
Straits.	Thu. 28th 9.30 AM
Haliphong	1.00 PM
Saigon, Madag., Salamaua, Rabaul and Tulagi.	1.30 PM
Amoy.	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U. S. A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 4th January.	Fri. 29th K.P.O.
	Reg. 29th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 29th 8.30 PM
	G.P.O.
	Reg. 29th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 29th 7.30 AM
Sandakan.	8.30 AM
Japan.	10.30 AM
Parcels only for Tientsin	1.30 AM
Formosa, Shanghai and Japan	1.30 PM
	K.P.O.
	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
SATURDAY	
Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand—via Brisbane—due Brisbane 16th Jan.	Sat. 30th G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Par. 29th 5.00 PM
	Reg. 30th 8.45 AM
	Ord. 30th 9.30 AM
	G